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Use of French in courts

Community applauds the ruling on Bill 101

By SUSAN LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

The recent Supreme Court ruling upholding an earlier Quebec Court of Appeal decision on the unconstitutionality of one section of Bill 101 was applauded by both Jewish community leadership and constitutional experts here.

The section in question dealt with the sole use of French in the provincial courts and the legislature.

Herbert Marx, a professor of constitutional law at the University of Montreal, and the new Liberal MNA from D'Arcy McGee who just days earlier took his seat in the National Assembly, said the decision came as no surprise to him.

"As far back as 1967," Marx noted, I wrote an article for the Law Review on 'Language Rights and the Canadian Constitution.' In the article I stated clearly that if tested in the courts, it is most probable the Manitoba statute abolishing French as an official language in that province would be held to be ultra vires (not valid).

"Along the same lines I said that if French was ever made the only official language in Quebec, it too would be invalid."

Although pleased with the decision of this country's highest judicial body, Marx feels it is a non-issue in the upcoming referendum on sovereignty-association.

"The Supreme Court decision was extremely symbolic, but its practical implications are very limited," Marx said.

"I do not think it is of any importance whatsoever in the referendum question."

Attorney Yoine Goldstein was one of three plaintiffs in the court challenge along with fellow lawyers Roland Durand and Peter Blaikie.

Goldstein, who is also honorary legal counsel for Canadian Jewish Congress-Quebec Region, does not use either the case or the ruling as a fight between this province's anglophone and francophone people.

"We were fighting on the question of civil liberty," Goldstein stressed, "it was not an English-French confrontation and ought not to be regarded as a victory of English over French."

Like Marx, Goldstein does not feel the case was a political issue.

"I believe that since the courts have traditionally been respectful of language rights, the government knew the statute would not be upheld; this leads me to conclude it was a red herring to put Camille Laurin (Minister of Cultural Development) in a no-lose situation".

Robert Litvak was one of three lawyers who argued against and defeated the Quebec government in court on the issue three times — in the Superior Court, in the Court of Appeal and finally in the Supreme Court.

He agrees with Goldstein that the whole section was put in as a government manoeuvre.

"The government had to realize that defending this section in court would be problematic," he explained, "they knew the chapter would be unconstitutional and I believe it was an attempt to create a phony crisis and then profit by it.

"They must realize they are no longer a group of militants fighting for their ideals but are now a legitimate government."

Litvack says the decision, although expected, was unique in one sense.

"The significant thing to recognize," he noted, "is that it is an unusual judgment in that there are no losers; usually, whenever a case is presented in court, someone wins and someone loses. In this case everyone was a winner."

"What happened was that English Quebecers have had their language rights confirmed while francophones have not lost one iota of their rights."

Boycott meet on Jan. 18

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —

Despite the newly-called election, there is still a good chance that a constituency advisory meeting on the matter of anti-boycott legislation will be held in the riding of Willowdale on Jan. 18, under the auspices of MP Bob Jarvis. Deliberations from this meeting, as was done in a similar meeting held in November, will be presented at upcoming Tory caucuses for possible implementation in the federal government's anti-boycott legislation, according to Jarvis.

"I believe anti-boycott legislation is a matter of human rights," Jarvis told The Canadian Jewish News, "and this is the approach we hope to formulate at the meeting.

"Arab boycott stipulations infringe upon the rights of a particular group of Canadian citizens, which is obviously wrong. If this instance of discrimination is condoned, other ethnic groups of Canadians can be similarly victimized," he said.

Jarvis assured The CJN that anti-boycott legislation was being discussed concurrently at the federal level and that his local meetings and others like it were not merely the first in a long chain of processes necessary before the matter would be given serious federal attention.

Among those expected again at the Willowdale meeting are: Max Goody, Ira Kuchinsky, Morton Abramson, George Barratt, Dorothy Halberstadt, Gloria Roden and Anne Fitzpatrick. The latter is a non-Jewish Willowdale resident very much concerned about the human rights violation implicit in boycott stipulations.

As well, Jarvis is inviting several MPs from eastern and western Canada, who have no Jewish component in their ridings, to audit the meeting in order to gain a direct appreciation for Jewish concerns.

(Uri Keren photo)

Israelis carry placards in recent demonstration in Tel Aviv protesting soaring cost of living in the country.

West urged to withdraw from Olympics in USSR

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —

Canada, together with the United States and other western allies, should actively consider withdrawing from the Moscow Olympics in response to ever-mounting Soviet acts of aggression. Such is the suggestion made by Rabbi Gunther Plaut, national president of the Canadian Jewish Congress.

In an interview with The Canadian Jewish News, the rabbi suggested two immediate advantages to the west in a boycott of the Moscow games. "This could serve as a signal to unite and rally western willpower, seen as flagging badly in recent years, against continued Soviet imperialism. In itself, the boycott would be a strong gesture of condemnation, one that the Soviets, who can be particularly sensitive to international opinion, would appreciate."

Rabbi Plaut emphasized that "a west that has no will to do anything cuts no ice with the Soviets. They are only amenable to power and will."

Conceding the possibility that wheat and other exports to the USSR could drop in the wake of an Olympic withdrawal, Rabbi Plaut voiced the concern that continued trade in itself could in the long run prove detrimental to western concerns of human rights and possibly Soviet containment.

Regarding Russia's Jewish inhabitants, Rabbi Plaut said: "Withdrawal from the Olympics might delay the release of Scharansky and other Soviet dissidents, and it might reduce Soviet Jewish emigration.

"But, if we let the Soviets have their will, and not even show some opposition, they will come to ignore whatever public moral censure we exert on the dissidents' behalf right now. This could prove far worse for the fate of the dissidents than an immedite show of disapproval."

By 1936, the year of the Berlin games in Nazi Germany, Hitler had not yet embarked on his external adventures, although he had embarked on his program of the deprivation of human rights, said Rabbi Plaut. "What if the Berlin Games had been boycotted then? In hindsight, it can be said that the war and the concentration camps might have been avoided. Such an action would certainly have roused the flagging will of the peace-loving nations then."

Rabbi Plaut described the Soviet Union as "the truly imperialist aggressive power." He decried the Afghan invasion as "the latest blatant step in Soviet imperial adventures," with precedents for it set in Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Ethiopia, Angola, South Yemen and numerous other countries.

"When will the west rise up and take [illegible] notice and do something about it, rather than merely express anguish and disappointment?"

Rabbi Plaut added that he was not necessarily expressing the views of the CJC on this matter.

Conservatives vote to delay question of ordaining women

NEW YORK —

The faculty senate of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America recently postponed by a vote of 25 to 19 any decision on the question of the ordination of women as rabbis in Conservative Judaism. Gerson Cohen, chancellor of the seminary who has declared himself "a passionate advocate" of the ordination of women said he regarded the decision as a defeat of ordination for the forseeable future.

The motion preseated to the senate called upon the chancellor to appoint "a committee of talmudic scholars" to complete a systematic study of the status of women in Jewish law, and continued: "The proper resolution of the ordination question can be achieved only within this larger context."

Following the vote, Cohen told the senate that he was not sure whether or not he would appoint such a committee. He characterized as "an encouraging factor" the fact that the Seminary faculty had not avoided the issue, but had "confronted it directly, in an interdisciplinary way, as no other movement in American Judaism could have done." He announced that he would address a plenary session of students and faculty in mid-January, at which time he would "interpret the spiritual and moral significance of the vote" as he saw it.

The question of ordination for women had been raised by rabbis and laity in the Conservative movement, and late in 1977, Dr. Cohen appointed a 14-member commission to study the problem. The commission reported, in January, 1979, that it found nothing in Jewish law to bar the ordination of women. The majority of the commission members -11 of 14- recommended that Conservative Judaism move toward the education of women for the rabbinate immediately. A minority of three, while accepting most of the majority conclusions, felt that the time for ordination of women had not yet come.

The commission report was presented by Cohen to the Rabbinical Assembly Convention last January, and the convention in turn referred the matter to the faculty senate. The Rabbinical Assembly is the international association of conservative rabbis. The majority of its members are graduates of The Jewish Theological Seminary, the principal academic institution of the Conservative movement.

Anti-Semitism permeates ideas of Khomeni

NEW YORK, [JTA] —

A paperback English translation of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's **"Islamic Government,"** which has just been published, clearly shows the Iranian ruler to be anti-Semitic as well as anti-Christian.

The book is based on a series of lectures Khomeini gave in 1969 on what an Islamic government should be. It was translated by the Central Intelligence Agency last year and was declassified just two weeks before the Ayatollah returned to Teheran last Feb. 1. It is published by the Manor Press in New York which calls it **Ayatollah Khomeini's Mein Kampf.**

Khomeini's anti-Jewish attitude is displayed in the opening paragraphs of the foreword to the book. "Since its inception, the Islamic government was afflicted with the Jews when they started their counter-activity by distorting the reputation of Islam, by assaulting it and slandering," he wrote. "This has continued to our present day."

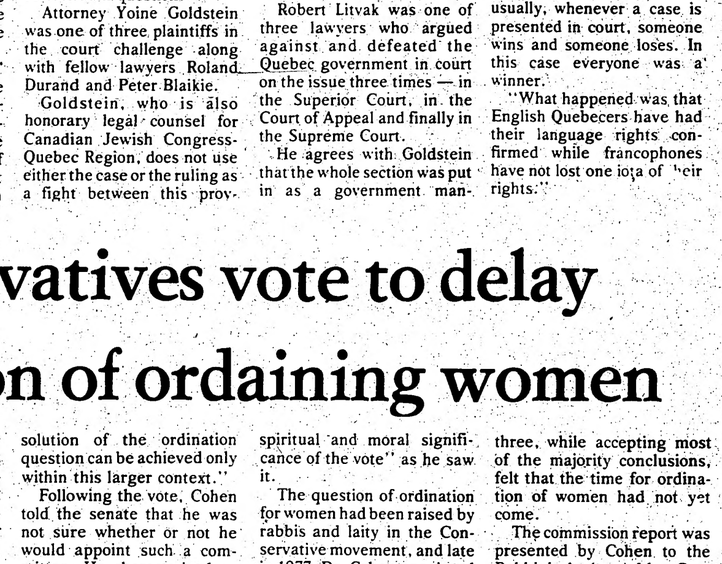
Khomeini then goes on to attack his next villains, the "colonialists" who, he said, "can be considered more evil than the devil and his troops." He is apparently referring to the West European countries and the United States and their activities in the Middle East.

When the ayatollah was questioned about his anti-Semitism while he was still in France last January, reporters cited his reference to Jewish "counter-activity." He reportedly denied to Western journalists that he was anti-Semitic. While stressing that all ties to Israel would be cut, he said Jews would "enjoy all rights and full religious freedom" in an Islamic republic.

But in his book he frequently attacks both Jews and Christians. "Christian, Jewish and Baha'i missionary centers are spread in Teheran to deceive people and to lead them away from the teachings and principles of religion," he wrote at one point. "Isn't it a duty to destroy these centers?" He goes on to call on the young people to help save Islam. "Here they (Christians and Jews) are killing Islam in the name of religion and in the name of the prophets."

At one point Khomeini attacks the Shah for helping to restore the Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem which was set ablaze by a deranged non-Jewish Australian. "The Shah opens a subscription in banks to repair the Al Aqsa Mosque," Khomeini wrote. "In this manner he fills his pockets and coffers and increases his assets. After the mosque is repaired, he will have covered all traces of the Zionist crimes." At another point, in urging the rule of Islam, he exhorts: "We must try to liberate the lands of the Moslems in Palestine and other places."

Khomeini's anti-Zionism is also linked with his anti-Westernism, particularly anti-U.S. feelings. Denouncing Iranians who seek to separate religion from government, he declares: "We must first advise such people to abandon their erroneous way, must draw their attention to the danger surrounding Islam and the Moslems and must open their eyes wide to the Zionist danger and to the Anglo-American (colonialism) that supplies the Israeli entity with the mainstays of life."



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Sol Linovitz, the new U.S. negotiator at the autonomy talks on the Palestinians, is seen with Menachem Begin at a press conference in Jerusalem. Talks have lagged to date.

Argentinian minister dropped after article

NEW YORK, [JTA] —

The resignation of Argentina's Minister of Culture, Dr. Raul Crespo Montes, shortly after praising Jewish contributions to that nation's cultural life has raised the issue of anti-Semitism, according to an Argentine Jewish weekly newspaper.

The newspaper, Mundo Israelita, noting rumors that Crespo Montes was forced to step down "because of an anti-Semitic action," demanded "immediate clarification" from the authorities. "If silence persists," Mundo Israelita added, "we take it for granted that the rumors will prove to be true."

Crespo Montes resigned earlier this month after speaking at the Jewish Cultural Center in Buenos Aires to mark the publication in Argentina of the 300th work in a series dealing with the participation of Jews in the nation's cultural activities. According to his superior, Dr. Juan Rafael Llerena Amadeo, who heads the Ministry of Culture and Education, the resignation was for "personal reasons." Llerena Amadeo refused to elaborate when questioned at a press conference in Buenos Aires.

Argentine Jewish organizations criticized the departure of Crespo Montes and the controversy has been given wide publicity in the Argentine press.

The Sociedad Hebraica Argentina (SHA), which sponsored Crespo Montes' speech, issued a statement expressing "profound consternation" over his resignation. Pointing out that those who have spoken on its platform include Albert Einstein, Jacques Maritain and Jorge Luis Borges, the SHA said it "could not accept or believe that at this stage of Argentine social and intellectual development there are persons or circles who consider the delivery of speech at the SHA incompatible with a high level ministry official's public function."

Asked to comment in New York on the case, Rabbi Morton Rosenthal, director of the Latin American Affairs Department of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, said, "Dr. Crespo Montes may be the latest victim in a struggle within Argentina over the principle of cultural pluralism. I share the concern of the SHA in Argentina."

In his speech, Crespo Montes said, "The contribution which Jewish culture has made and can continue to make to our common Argentine culture is of unquestionable worth." He further pointed out that many Jews have contributed their brilliance, inspiration and tenacity to Argentine culture and to enhancing Argentina's image abroad in the fields of letters, the arts, the sciences and education."

Barak says record high reached in trade between Canada, Israel

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Any thoughts that Canada-Israel trade relations may be faltering were dashed by latest figures which show the dollar value of trade between the two countries has reached a record high.

Israel's new economic minister to Canada, Baruch Barak, reported to the approximately 450 representatives of major Canadian industrial and financial firms attending a recent luncheon at the Chateau Champlain given by the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce and the Israel Trade Commission that in the first nine months of 1979, Israel's exports to Canada have increased by 23.7%, compared to the same period in 1978. He estimated that total exports to Canada by the end of 1979 would increase by 20%.

"An even more optimistic picture is evolving in Israel's imports from Canada, which increased so far in 1979 (first nine months) by 25%" said Barak, whose office is in Toronto.

"Our joint trade volume will . . . reach the approximate amount of $150 million and, as such, establish Israel as Canada's second largest trading partner in the Middle East and No. 21 on the list of countries in the world trading with Canada."

Free trade and business contacts between the business communities of both countries must be allowed to continue to develop without permitting uncalled for interference or intervention by third parties," said Barak, alluding to the Arab boycott.

Highlight of the luncheon, chaired by Charles Bronfman, was the presentation of the 1978 Israel Trade Awards by Ambassador Yeshayahu Anug to 54 Canadian companies for their outstanding contribution to the development of large-scale imports of Israeli products into Canada. Based in Quebec and Ontario (with one from Prince Edward Island), the companies represented a wide range of industries from foodstuffs and chemicals to textiles and jewelry. The awards were last presented five years ago.

Bronfman said "the refusal of one nation to do business with another is its elementary right," but the use of secondary and tertiary boycotts in world commerce has sought to "intimidate wholly innocent parties (and to) twist the arm of uninvolved peoples.

Ordinary citizens lose their right to be involved in the world and the commerce around them simply on the basis of creed, color, or religion," he continued. "For those of us who have deplored every form of interference with the commerce of the world as an infringement on the human rights of the individual, there is no comfort in seeing any lesson painfully brought home to democratic governments."

Canadians, as strong supporters of human rights, should continue to do business with all Middle East nations on an impartial basis, Bronfman urged.

"The dictum for our time must be that human rights are not negotiable. Either we commit ourselves unalterably to their defense — at home, abroad and everywhere — or we shall salvage from their ruin something less than a worthwhile way of living."

The Canada-Israel Economic Committee, headed by the ministers of industry and trade of both countries, will meet in Jerusalem in March to discuss further trade expansion in such areas as government procurement programs, joint research and development programs, reduction and removal of trade barriers, exchange of trade missions, and Canada's participation in Israel's Trade Fair which will be held in 1981, it was announced at the luncheon.

Two trade seminars in Montreal and Toronto are being planned for April by the CICC and the Israeli economic mission to encourage Canadian businessmen in Israel. Tours of Israel for Canadian businessmen are also to be expanded.

The CICC was founded in Montreal in 1961 through the efforts of the late Sam Steinberg. Its headquarters moved to Toronto in 1973. Today the CICC, presided over by Phil Granovsky of Toronto, has about 250 member companies, some 80 of which are based in Quebec.

World News

(Religious News Service photo)

It was, as usual, a tumultuous year in Israel in 1979. Top row [from [left]: a Tel Aviv shopkeeper paints a greeting on the occasion of Jimmy Carter's arrival in Israel, firemen put out fire in Jerusalem caused by terrorist bomb, Egyptian diplomat exchanges peace treaty ratification papers with his Israeli counterpart [right]. Middle row [from left]: Egyptians wave as Israeli ship, the first, passes through Suez Canal, Israeli troops lower flag at El Arish hours before Israel evacuates the Sinai town, an Israeli victim of a terrorist bombing in Jerusalem is taken to an ambulance. Bottom row [from left]: Foreign Ministry official bades farewell to Moshe Dayan after his resignation as foreign minister, an Israeli family relaxes at the outlawed West Bank settlement of Elon Moreh, Nablus Mayor Bassam Shakaa is released from custody after a furore.

El Al pilots reluctantly agree to take salary cut to offset financial doom

JERUSALEM, [JCNS] — Under threat by the management, with government support to close down EL AL, Israel's national airline which is in a serious economic situation, all sectors of the work force have agreed to efficiency and cut-back moves. The pilots have unhappily agreed to accept a 20 per cent cut in their salaries. This is part of the massive retrenchment program without which the airline faces closure.

The pilots held a tense meeting on Tuesday with many of their members arguing passionately against agreeing to the unprecedented wage cut. In the end, however, sober realisation of the consequences of not complying with the economic measures demanded by the management led to a vote by 145 to 54 approving the deal worked out previously with the company. The reason why the pilots have been asked to take such a high cut in their pay is because until now, a large proportion of their salaries have been paid in dollars rather than in Israeli pounds and on this basis they paid little tax.

The salaries agreement is expected to save EL AL some 10 million pounds a year. But despite the agreement with the staff, the threat of closure, although eased, has not been eliminated entirely. This is because the pilots made their agreement conditional on the ground staff and other segments of aircrew agreeing to similar inroads in their pay and conditions. The pilots contend that EL AL is grossly overstaffed on the ground and could easily cut 1,500 off the 7,000-strong workfore. The management has already begun negotiating with other works committees.

Abortion amendment passed by Knesset

JERUSALEM, [JCNS] — The controversial Abortion law amendment which scraps the social clause, has finally been approved by the Knesset by a vote of 55 to 50 in the second and third readings.

Acrimony, present at previous debates on this issues, was not present but there is still an underlying bitterness within the Opposition camp about the way the Likud-led Government exploited its political problems to meet Aguda demands.

Although the House voted against a long string of amendments to the Bill, even many religious MPs supported one of the riders attached to the Bill which said that a woman could be a member of every three-person abortion board, which can still approve abortions on other grounds than social, and this was adopted. The other four clauses which permit legal abortions remain. These are that a woman below 16 is a minor or that she is over 40. It was also agreed that pregnancy could be terminated if it arose out of relations forbidden by criminal law, or from incestious relations; that a child conceived could have physical or mental defects, or that continuation of pregnancy is likely to endanger the woman's life or cause her physical or mental harm.

on the wire

Bonn [JCNS] — The West German Government is planning final compensation payments to Jewish victims of Nazi persecution amounting to some 117 million pounds of which the Conference of Material Claims against Germany amount to 106 million pounds. The balance will go to the Central Council of Jews in Germany, the representative body of the 66 Jewish communities existing in West Germany.

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Rio De Janeiro [JTA] — The Brazilian Foreign Ministry has refused permission to the Arab League office in Brasilia to publish an anti-Begin booklet. The Foreign Ministry cited Brazilian law which forbids offensive expressions against heads of friendly states.

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Hamburg [ZINS] — The PLO is preparing to demand reparations from West Germany on the ground that Germany was responsible for the Holocaust which led to the United Nations adopting its decision to establish a Jewish state and sanction the occupation by the Israelis of Arab Palestine.

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London [JTA] — Darryl F. Zanuck, the film producer who died at the age of 77, was once described as Hollywood's "most honored non-Jew." As a man who strove for inter-racial harmony and brotherhood, he was singled out year after year for honors by the local Jewish community.

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Jerusalem [JTA] — The Cabinet has decided to extend the life of the controversial Elon Moreh settlement by at least another five weeks, the estimated time it will take to complete construction of a new settlement at Djebil Kebir, six miles away.

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New York [JTA] — Michael Arnon, president and chief executive officer of the Israel Bond organization, is returning to Israel to assume the post of chairman of the Israel Securities Authority.

Yigael Hurvitz calls Israel 'an economic charity case'

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By NECHEMIA MEYERS

Israel will never enjoy true political independence so long as she remains an economic charity case, declares recently appointed Finance Minister Yigael Hurvitz.

Indeed, it is his desire to ensure Israel's freedom of action in the political sphere, perhaps more than any other factor, that has impelled him to introduce a series of extremely tough economic measures during the past few weeks.

This is not to say that Hurvitz thinks Israel can do without economic assistance, particularly from the United States, at present. He realizes that such aid is absolutely essential, but argues that this country has become over-dependent on outside help, to the extent that she is no longer free to pursue her own interests when they conflict with those of the U.S.

Hurvitz, for example, believes there is such a conflict of interests in regard to the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, which he says must remain under Israeli control. Yet even those who differ with the Finance Minister on territorial issues tend to agree that Israel cannot go on, year after year, asking for billions in American assistance, both because this destroys her national sense of self-respect and because American taxpayers will eventually grow tired of shelling out those billions.

General (res.) Israel Tal, one of the best minds in the local defense establishment, suggests that another factor should also be taken into consideration, namely that, in the long run, the United States is bound to attach greater strategic importance to the Arab world than to Israel.

This being the case, Israel cannot depend on American support in all circumstances. So it behooves her, Tal believes, to stress her own, independent military deterrents.

In any case, while American aid is forthcoming, General Tal says it should not be "wasted" on the purchase of goods and services. Instead it should be used to build up the country's infrastructure much as Marshall Plan funds served to recreate the shattered infrastructure of Western Europe after World War II.

This is not always the situation at present, as shown by the fact that the Americans are not only financing, but also constructing two of the three Negev airfields slated to replace those being left behind in the Sinai Peninsula under the terms of the Camp David agreement.

Moreover, this direct American involvement has given local representatives of the U.S. government something of a colonial role in Israeli life, with Ambassador Sam Lewis occasionally appearing like a reincarnation of the British High Commissioner who ran things here before Israel gained her independence in 1948.

Thus when a dispute arose some weeks ago between the Histadrut Labor Federation and the Israeli Ministry of Defense over conditions of employment at the Negev construction sites and the hiring of a few local people by the U.S. firms involved, Histadrut Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel and Defense Ministry Director-General Josef Ma'ayan saw nothing incongruous in requesting that Lewis serve as a mediator between them. And, indeed, the American Ambassador came up with a compromise acceptable to both.

Davar columnist Israel Landres reacted with the sarcastic suggestion that other internal Israeli issues be handled in the same manner. For example, the Civil Aeronautics Board in Washington could be asked to solve the problems now plaguing El Al and the Department of Labor, perhaps in conjunction with the AFL-CIO, to mediate in local disputes over wages and working conditions.

In fact, Landres added, perhaps the Americans would agree "to relieve Israelis of the burden of independence" by simply adding a 51st star to the U.S. flag.

Finance Minister Hurvitz, for his part, is greatly disturbed by the developments which give Landres satire such a cutting edge, and so he is doing his best to convince the citizens of this country that real political independence is worth substantial economic sacrifices.

Catholicism classes

PARIS, [JTA] — A World Jewish Congress bulletin issued in Geneva reported that Jewish high schools in Argentina will have to give compulsory classes in Catholic religious instruction. The bulletin said students attending the first two high school grades between the ages of 12-14, will have to attend these religious classes.

Jewish schools in Argentina used to hold special classes in civics during the time allotted for religious instruction but an Argentinian Ministry of Education order dated Feb. 1, 1979, will force them, as of next year, to replace these optional studies with religious teachings. The Minister of Education, Juan Raphael Amadeo, stressed at the time the decree was issued that it would apply to all high schools, public as well as privately owned.

Argentina's Cardinal Paul Primatesta explained that all students in "a Catholic country like Argentina should have some knowledge about the religion of their fellow Argentinians." Many non-Jews attend Jewish high schools which have an excellent reputation.

Ruth Lazarus has new post

MONTREAL — Ruth Lazarus, for more than a decade one of the Canadian Jewish Congress' key programming executives in the Quebec Region, has been appointed executive director of the Montreal Chapter, Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science. This was announced by Marvin Tanner, chapter president; Melvyn A. Dobrin, chairman of its board of directors; and James Senor, national executive vice-president.

Born and educated in Winnipeg, Mrs. Lazarus has resided and has been active in the Montreal community for many years. As editor of 101, the Canadian Jewish Congress' bi-monthly bulletin, and as head of the Joint Outreach Program organized in partnership with the Montreal Allied Jewish Community Services, she has become well-known by, and knowledgeable about the city's organizations and leaders.

Among her other professional responsibilities at Congress, have been the head of the community services. Her duties took her to several French and English universities where she initiated and implemented programs of Jewish content on campuses.

Her personal involvement with Israel began at an early age as a member of a family of active Zionists, her late parents being Avraham and Miriam Miner, leading figures in the Labor Zionist movement.

A deep and abiding interest in Jewish education led her to the Montreal chairmanship of the concert society of the Jewish People's Schools, as well as annual visits to Israel over a period of two decades. On many of these, she accompanied her husband Charles, a Montreal journalist who has written extensively on the Jewish state.

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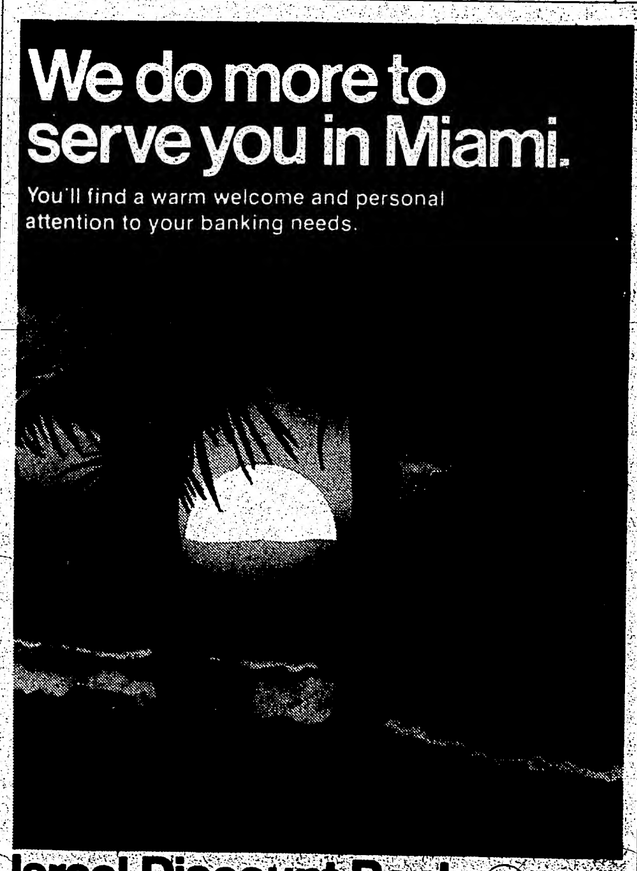

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The Committee on Yiddish in Toronto, part of the CJC National Yiddish Committee, held its traditional Yiddish festival in late November, with Dr. Eugene Orenstein, acting chairman of the NCY as guest speaker at the Oneg Shabbat. More than 400 persons attended the weekend event.

More than 20 groups throughout the country have used Holocaust films, filmstrips and slide shows this past month. Among these groups were synagogues, Jewish and non-Jewish organizations, universities and high schools. The CJC National Holocaust Remembrance Committee has released a catalogue detailing audio-visual material. The catalogue is available upon request and the material can be borrowed free of charge.

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Une réunion des membres du Comite Conjoint National des Relations Communautaires du CJC et du B'nai B'rith (CCRC) national s'est tenue récemment en l'Edifice Samuel Bronfman à Montréal, sous la présidence du rabbin Jordan Pearlson. Des membres du Comité de Toronto et de Montréal furent présents. (Les membres de l'Exécutif national du C.J.C. inmvités y furent présents).

Les comptes-rendus suivants furent donnés: relations et activités inter-ethniques à propos des Italo-Canadiens (Congrès National des Italo-Canadiens), des Canado-Japonais et de la Coalition du Bloc National du Canada (NBCC). Il y eut également un compte-rendu du projet de Vancouver Alternative to Racism, et d'autre part un rapport du travail du Comité des Affaires Religieuses réalisé de concert avec les organismes protestant et catholique au Canada; le Questionnaire **Forum** qui fut adressé aux lecteurs à travers le Canada, traita de deux questions jusqu'à ce jour: 1) L'Ambassade à Jérusalem, 2) Les Cultes. Le dessein de ce Questionnaire n'est pas de faire une recherche, mais plutot d'obtenir un sondage en matière de "Vote d'essai" à propos de ce que les dirigeants pensent.

Une discussion suivit un rapport sur les récentes décisions prises en matière de langue, par la Cour Supreme du Canada; les conséquences pour la société canadienne, et, la décision judicaire d'Ottawa, donnant à toute personne victime de discrimination raciale, le droit d'intenter une poursuite dommages et intérets; enfin le statut actuel des présumés criminels de guerre résidant au Canada fut débattu.

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The H.M. Caiserman Award for 1980 will be bestowed upon David Rome, in recognition of his prodigious efforts to research, write about and have publish a large number of works on Canadian Jewish history. The presentation will be made at the CJC Plenary Assembly, being held May 1-4, in Toronto.

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The Montreal Jewish Singles Association of the CJC national religious affairs department held a meeting early last month at Congress. There will be a public meeting of the Association Jan. 22 at the Shaare Zion Synagogue. Other association activities are announced in the MJSA Bulletin.

Shema Kolenu captivates Windsor NCSY Shabbaton

By ANITA HURWITZ

WINDSOR — A concert given by the Shema Kolenu band proved to be the highlight of an NCSY Central Canada region Shabbaton held here recently.

One of North America's leading Israeli musical groups, the five members of Shema Kolenu performed in both Hebrew and English before a capacity crowd in the Charles Zalev Social Hall, Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue. The audience, young and old, eagerly participated: some sang, some danced, some swayed in their seats, clapping in time to the rhythm of such songs as **Shake it up Zeldee** and **The Lubavitche Twist.**

Particularly moving was the band's rendition of **Shema Yisrael** in sign language. It stressed their musical message, the theme of the event, that "it's OK to be Jewish."

Seventy-five children, ages nine to 13, from Toronto, Hamilton, London, Detroit and Windsor, participated in the weekend. They slept at the Windsor Jewish Community Centre and took part in programs at the synagogue, where, on Saturday morning, Rabbi Benjamin Holczer addressed them. David Woolf, regional co-ordinator for NCSY, brought greetings to the city from the organization.

NCYS is an international organization, numbering more than 20,000 members in chapters in 18 regions of Canada, the United States, Mexico and Israel. More than 300 Shabbatonim (Shabbas experiences) — about seven or eight per region — are sponsored annually.

Woolf described the Shabbaton as a learning experience. The youngsters were immersed in activities — song and dance being two favorites — that enhanced and enriched their feelings of Jewish spirit.

A concert is an accustomed element of a Shabbaton, Woolf explained. Shema Kolenu plays at them frequently. Members of the group even participated during the day on Saturday: without their instruments, they served as advisors.

Considerable praise fell to the ladies of the Shaar Hashomayim Sisterhood, who wraped the meals for the weekend. Woolf lauded their culinary endeavours, stating that they were the "best meals of any Shabbaton we've ever had."

Shema Kolenu was founded by Zale Newman, who at times still plays with the ensemble, and who composed many of its songs. Uncle Moishe Tennenbaum, one of the performers locally, has produced four Shema Kolenu albums, the most recent being **Uncle Moishe and the Mitzvah Men.**

Another of the group's accomplishments was its musical tour of Israel during the Yom Kippur War. Among the crowd at their Windsor concert was Rabbi Kestenbaum from London, who came to be with his children.

Sympathetic treatment given to Lubavitch movement

TV

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Seek and ye shall find.

Like a phoenix rising from the rubble of post-war Europe, the Lubavitch religious movement has spread far beyond its original confines in Russia and inspired a world-wide interest in traditional Judaism.

Proselytizing with a zeal usually unknown in Judaism, Lubavitch has probed the nooks and crannies of Jewish communities, finding converts in the most unlikely of places. In an age of dissillusionment and erosion of values, Lubavitch has brought a new sense of urgency to Judaism.

The Lubavitch movement is the subject of CBC's **Man Alive** series on Jan. 15 at 10:30 p.m. **Lubavitch: City Of Love** is written and produced by Les Nirenberg, a veteran of the CBC.

It is a sympathetic 30-minute look at a movement that has been dubbed the "Jewish Salvation Army." Shot in Toronto, Montreal and New York, the program leaves a viewer with an impression that Lubavitch is one of the most vital and lively sects in Judaism.

Another impression imparted is that Lubavitch thrives on what might be described the cult of the personality. The grand rebbe of the Lubavitcher, Menachem Mendel Schneerson, is not only adored but revered by his 200,000 followers.

Schneerson emerges as a somewhat remote, mysterious, omnipotent man whose charisma is undisputed. Surprisingly, this central figure in Lubavitch is not interviewed. Lubavitch officials told Nirenberg that he was unavailable, which seems odd considering his penchant for publicity.

In any event, Nirenberg believes that a fleeting interview with the rebbe would not have done him, or the Chassidic movement, any justice.

The attraction of Lubavitch for those Jews who need it is that it offers its members a sense of history and community and provides them with a firm-rooted identity.

A Russian immigrant interviewed in New York claims that Lubavitch revitalized his life, while a medical researcher in Toronto voices similar sentiments, adding that it is particularly attractive to secular intellectuals in the sciences.

As is made crystal clear in **Lubavitch: City of Love,** the Lubavitcher strongly believe in proselytizing among Jews. Driven by a genuine sense of mission, they set out in their "mitzvah mobiles", cruising the city in search of lost souls and perplexed minds.

Offering its followers a pure, uncompromising form of Judaism, Lubavitch battles assimilation, cults and evangelical Christians in the West and performs clandestine bar mitzvahs in Russia and other East Bloc nations.

Revelling in joyous celebration, and dedicated to a life of mitzvahs, Lubavitch is certainly a force in modern Judaism, at least as it is portrayed in **Lubavitch: City of Love.**

Funds pouring in for the '80s

Funds held by the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Montreal have surged past the two million dollar mark.

An interim report by Mildred Lande, President of the Foundation, notes that $437,949.00 in new funds received between April 1 and December 30, brought the total foundation funds to $2,167,161.

Major new funds established within the period included the Joseph and Sarah Harris Fund — $98,000; the Felicia and Arnold Aaron Endowment Fund, the Sam and Bessie Pesner Foundation, the Sam Steinberg Memorial Trust Fund, each for $50,000; the David and Ronald Schouela Memorial Fund of $45,000; and the Anna and Max Seigler Memorial Trust of $22,500.

Another major item was $40,198 added to the Allan Bronfman 80th birthday tribute fund.

Old switcheroo leaves J.B. in a huff

Let's start at the beginning.

Last week I said in my column that we all used to light Chanukah candles every evening during the Chanukah week. But when the paper appeared, the "evening" became "morning".

Who ever heard of lighting Chanukah candles in the morning? "Gevalt," I said to the editor, "what are you trying to do to me?" "Calm down," he said soothingly, "don't get yourself upset. I'll investigate."

A day later he informed me that the copy definitely shows that I wrote "evening," but somewhere along the process in the print shop it became "morning."

"But someone must be responsible for what happened," I declared to him. "Yes," he answered in the cold-blooded way that editors always employ, "someone made the error but no one would own up to it."

I refused to accept the explanation and the editor, in his wisdom, said gravely; "blame it on a gremlin."

So, dear readers, have you seen a gremlin on Bathurst St. lately? If so please let me know his or its whereabouts. Uncle Eliezer and his steam-bath chums would love to lay their hands on him, or it.

In the future, keep on lighting Chanukah candles in the evenings. Remember, in the evenings and never, but never in the mornings.

Your trustworthy scribe,
J.B.

Lisa Cogan

Cogan is named

OTTAWA — The United Israel Appeal of Canada announces the appointment of Mrs. Lisa Cogan of Ottawa as leader of the 1980 Women's Division National Mission to Israel and Egypt.

The mission will study in depth the implications of the peace treaty with Egypt. The need for the urgent settlement of the Galilee will be examined and Project Renewal centres of Canadian interest will be visited.

The mission will be the first Canadian women's mission to visit Egypt where an interview with Mrs. Sadat has been arranged for the members.

"I have participated in three other UIA Canada's Women's Missions," Mrs. Cogan said, "and I honestly say that the prospects of seeing the peace process in action, in Israel and Egypt makes me more excited about this trip, than I was about my first mission."

Leaving on Feb. 25, and returning March 10, the mission still has a few tour-places available. Anyone interested in joining the mission should contact their local community director.

Rabbi Isaac Langer

Chassidic scholar

TORONTO — Rabbi Isaac Langer died here recently, at the age of 70. A scholar and Chassidic leader, Rabbi Langer was a member of the Stretiner dynasty, a famous Chassidic movement in Galicia and Poland founded by Rabbi Abraham Langer.

The late Rabbi Langer came to Canada with his father in the early 20s.

He is survived by a sister, Pearl, the wife of rabbi Yochanan Twerski, known as the Tolner Rabbi, in Jerusalem.

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Rabbi Isaac Langer

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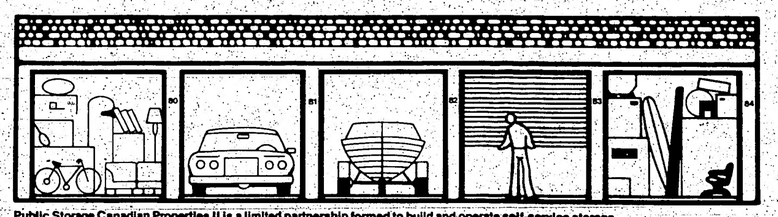

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1979 - a turbulent year

The Iran crisis is one of the 10 most significant events that affected the cause of human rights in 1979, according to the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

The "top ten" list, announced by Nathan Perlmutter, ADL's national director, includes Pope John Paul II's visit to the United States, the signing of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty and the fall of Ugandan dictator Idi Amin.

Mr. Perlmutter said the holding of American hostages by Iran is included in the selection because "hopefully it taught us to understand that those with just grievances may nonetheless themselves be unjust tyrants — and because, having hibernated following our Vietnam adventure, this nation will hopefully react more vigorously to anti-democratic terrorism abroad."

The nine other significant events of 1979 as chosen by Mr. Perlmutter are:

— Pope John Paul II's visit to the United States.
— Argentina's release of Jacobo Timerman
— The non-aligned nations conference in Havana.
— The extension of West Germany's statute of limitations on prosecuting Nazi War criminals.
— Brezhnev's release of seven Soviet Jews connected with the Leningrad hijack case and three Soviet dissidents.
— The fall of Idi Amin.
— The signing of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.
— The suffering and starvation of Indochinese refugees.
— The escalation of vandalism, desecrations and verbal violence.

The last-named event shows no sign of abatement as 1980 unfolds. Violence in words and deeds as an instrument for accomplishing outrageous goals, shows an alarming increase. Religious and racial minorities once again are coming under attack on a world-wide basis.

There is no room for complacency today, for if we fail to come to grips with this disease, the consequence of our inaction will swiftly engulf us.

Contact is critical

During a routine familiarization trip for travel agents who are making bookings for the summer Olympics in Moscow, a Toronto Jewish travel agent became the victim of an uncomfortable exercise in harassment by Soviet officials.

The incident clearly pointed out the need for some public education for those making visits to Russia and wanting to make contact with refuseniks.

The first point to make, according to Genya Intrator, vice-president of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry, is that it is both safe and legitimate to make contact with the refuseniks who are nothing more than ordinary, law-abiding citizens seeking to emigrate.

Since 1973, in fact, the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry notes that no Westerner has been arrested, detained or charged for meeting with refuseniks — and hundreds of Jews outside of Russia meet regularly with them.

In fact, a young Jewish couple from Kitchener on the very same tour as the Toronto travel agent, made several contacts with refuseniks without any consequences at all.

Mrs. Intrator and other members of the committee are also on the telephone constantly and openly with refuseniks, and have also visited with them in the Soviet Union. While such communication may well be monitored, there has been no attempt to either censor or punish those involved.

The committee stresses that without such direct contact with Jews outside of Russia, the refuseniks are powerless, and Western Jews are cut off from the very sources of information which tell them what is happening and who is being affected by arrests or job loss or persecution.

The more people visiting the Soviet Union who make contact with the refuseniks, the safer they are in their applications for visas. Similarly, the more pressure can be brought to bear on Soviet authorities to let them go, says the committee.

Mrs. Intrator and other committee members urge visitors to Russia to contact the committee not only to get names of refuseniks, but very importantly, to be briefed.

Candidly, the committee admits that harassment is not a new Soviet activity. It is part of an official and sophisticated policy to interrupt communications between those living in Russia and those outside.

Sometimes seven flights can go by without an incident, the committee reports. But the eighth can be marked. Ms. Renata Eisen was one of those unfortunate few who became the subject of such spot harassment.

Pulled out of line upon entry at the border, she was subsequently detained for almost five hours of interrogation about her gifts for a list of people whose names were mostly those of refuseniks. Minor but very subtle harassment followed in the form of last minute room charges, incessant phone calls and the intermittent appearance of a man who appeared to be following her.

It was all very unsettling to be sure. Afraid for her refuseniks contacts, Ms. Eisen neither called nor gave them the gifts which were from friends and family. Mrs. Eisen later told The Canadian Jewish News that she did not understand the nature of harassment as an exercise in deterring visitors from making contact.

Given the choice to go back and do it all over again, Ms. Eisen states that without a doubt she would have made the contact and given the gifts.

It is important to stand up for basic human rights, she says. She firmly renounces the Soviet scare tactics, and would appeal to those about to make trips to the Soviet Union to contact the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry.

Formed in 1972 from representatives from the Canadian Jewish Congress, B'nai B'rith and the Canadian Zionist Federation to give the Jewish community one voice on the issue of Soviet Jewry, the committee asks for support for those Jews in Russia who count on our keeping the lines of communication effectively open.

'Understanding' Hitler

During a recent visit to Toronto the eminent novelist and essayist Elie Wiesel referred to the fact that more than 95 books are now in existence which deny the facts of the Holocaust. The books in question represent an international coterie of "researchers" ranging from an engineering professor (Butz) in the Boston area and a French academic from one of France's provincial universities (Faurisson).

The latest phase in the Hitleriana trade, began about a decade ago when Joachim Fest brought out his exhaustive biography of the Fuhrer. Since then historical portraits of Hitler have tumbled out of the printing presses with inexorable regularity. American, British, French and other writers have joined the bandwagon and have inundated the public with every imaginable approach to their subject.

'One researcher (Irving) reveals the curious fact that Hitler's signature has never been found on any document ordering the execution of Jews. Another (Toland) suggests that the German dictator was a sexual degenerate. A third informs us that despite his undeniable pathologies, Hitler gave Germany full employment. A fourth researcher recounts Hitler's morbidity with regard to the Jews as a reaction to his mother's death while being attended by a Jewish physician. Albert Speer has also treated the reading public to personal accounts of the charisma which animated his leader.

And what is the purpose behind all these richly documented and objective studies of the greatest mass murderer in history? The answer, we are told in eloquent prefaces and justificatory introduction, is: that we may better understand the historical forces that created the monster. This purpose is a noble one and we do not doubt the sincerity of those who advance the rationalization.

There is a danger, however, in the current, obssessive preoccupation with the Hitler era. Just how much do we really need to know about the elite security units who guarded Hitler, the subject of a new book published by an important university press? Of what historical consequence is it to publish a complete English translation of Jurgen Stroop's **The Jewish Quarter of Warsaw Is No More?** as Pantheon of New York has recently done? Why is it necessary for the same printing firm to issue a lavishly illustrated volume called **Art in the Third Reich,** a work which features the grotesqueries of Nazi realism in painting.

Researchers who labour indefatigably in excavating ever new revelations about Hitler may claim to be involved in the task of understanding how the Nazi mind operated. Works on Nazi propaganda, military strategy, airwar — all properly documented, and many accompanied by the scholarly paraphenalia of footnotes — also purport to enlighten the reader.

The problem is that the journey from understanding to excusing can be a perilously short one. To call upon one's energies to understand an historical phenomenon is also to invite oneself to consider mitigating circumstances, and thereby, through a subtle process, to look upon the demons of history as quasi-heroic figures.

The effect therefore of the current wave of books on Nazi Germany is to de-demonize Hitler and his minions. The result is a mendacious laundering of history that bodes ill for the Jewish people — the victims of that history.

Shragai seen as pioneer of Zionism, founding Mizrachi group at age 15

By YITZHAK GOLDBERG AND HAIM SHACHTER

At the age of 80, Zalman Shragai can look back upon a lifetime of single-minded service to the cause of religious Zionism — a service that has gained him universal reverence and esteem in the Zionist Movement. He started his Zionist career at the unusual age of 15, when boys are concerned more with the playing-field than with ideas and ideals. It was then that he founded a "Young Mizrachi Association" in his native townlet in Poland, and began bringing out a religious Zionist organ by the name of "Hatechiya" ("the revival"). A few years later, he founded the Mizrachi Chalutz (pioneer) Movement in Poland and set up a Hachshara (agricultural training) farm for religious pioneers.

Shragai came on Aliyah to Eretz Yisrael in 1924 and immediately upon arrival entered into the thick of public activity. The young religious Zionist became one of the acknowledged leaders of the Mizrachi Movement, which he represented at Zionist Congresses and the Zionist General Council, from the 15th Zionist Congress (Basle 1927) and onwards. In 1929 he was elected to the executive of the Vaad Leumi, the National Council of Palestine Jews, and was entrusted with the press and information portfolio. When the Palestine Broadcasting Service was opened by the Mandatory authorities in 1936, he became chairman of the Advisory Council on Hebrew programs.

In 1946, he was elected to the executive of the Jewish Agency (the Cabinet of World Zionism), and took up residence in London where he directed Zionist information activity among Jewish and non-Jewish religious circles. He was re-elected to the Zionist executive on the emergence of the state and, except for a two-year period beginning in 1950, when he became the first elected Jewish mayor of Jerusalem, continued to be a member of the executive until his retirement in 1968.

In 1954, he took over the Aliya Department of the Jewish Agency Executive, thus becoming one of the architects of mass Jewish immigration to the homeland. During his tenure as chairman of the Aliya Department, he succeeded in bringing over some 600,000 Jews from all corners of the globe, and he looks back upon that period as the crowning glory in his distinguished public career and as the most important phase in his Zionist work. Those were the years of mass Jewish immigration. First the displaced person camps in Europe were liquidated and Jews began streaming daily in boatloads to the shores of their homeland. Then commenced the transfer of the Jews of Bulgaria and Yemen and Iraq, after which came the turn of Moroccan Jewry.

The newly-emerged state, beset as it was by the staggering problem of security and defence, faced the no less overwhelming questions of housing, education and employment for the new arrivals. Many of the immigrants found themselves transplanted overnight from backward countries to 20th century life. They were illiterate and illness-ridden. Many among them were old and incapacitated, incapable of providing for themselves. What a burden they promised to impose on the harassed state!

A campaign was launched in the press, urging selective immigration. Only the physically fit and productive should be allowed into the country. The social cases had to remain behind and be cared for by the communities in which they lived. But Shragai remained adamant: the State of Israel he said, had not been created for a special category of Jews, for the pioneers or the productive elements alone; it had been set up for the redemption of the whole of the Jewish people. All Jews had the right to return to their homeland. The State of Israel was not to remain a spiritual center for an elite alone. It was possible to set up medical services in the countries from which these immigrants hailed so that they might be cured before they arrived on Israel's shores.

The argument that there was insufficient room in Israel for so many immigrants and that only constructive elements should be allowed in was dispelled in some measure by the publication at the time of the Lowdermilk Plan, which showed that Israel was capable of absorbing many millions.

Shragai felt he did not receive adequate support among his colleagues on the Zionist Executive or among the members of the Government. However, he found staunch allies in Ben-Gurion and Golda Meir, who argued that selective immigration would mean a return to the immigration policy of the Mandatory Government, which had made immigration conditional on the absorptive capacity of the country.

In the end the issue wsas brought to the Jewish Agency — Government Coordination Board for decision. Shragai reminisced about that meeting to the writer in these lines: "I put my case briefly to the Board and one by one the members spoke against my views. Then Golda Meir rose to her feet. I shall never lift my hand, she said, in order to prevent the arrival of a single Jewish child from Morocco or any other place, only because he has an aged father or a sick mother or a lame grandfather or a blind grandmother. In order to make possible the arrival of a Jewish child to Eretz Yisrael, it is worthwhile bringing over all the unproductive members of his family with him. It is worthwhile shouldering the burden or providing for the sick, the lame and the blind that come with him."

She sat down. Silence pervaded the room. Turning to me, Ben-Gurion asked: Have you anything to add to what Golda has said? No, I replied. What she has just said is the compelling truth. Turning to me again, Ben-Gurion asked: What is the percentage of social cases? I have heard that it is as high as 60%. At most they come up to 15%, I replied, and their numbers can be reduced by medical treatment in their countries of origin. In that case, Ben-Gurion concluded, you have the green light. Go ahead!".

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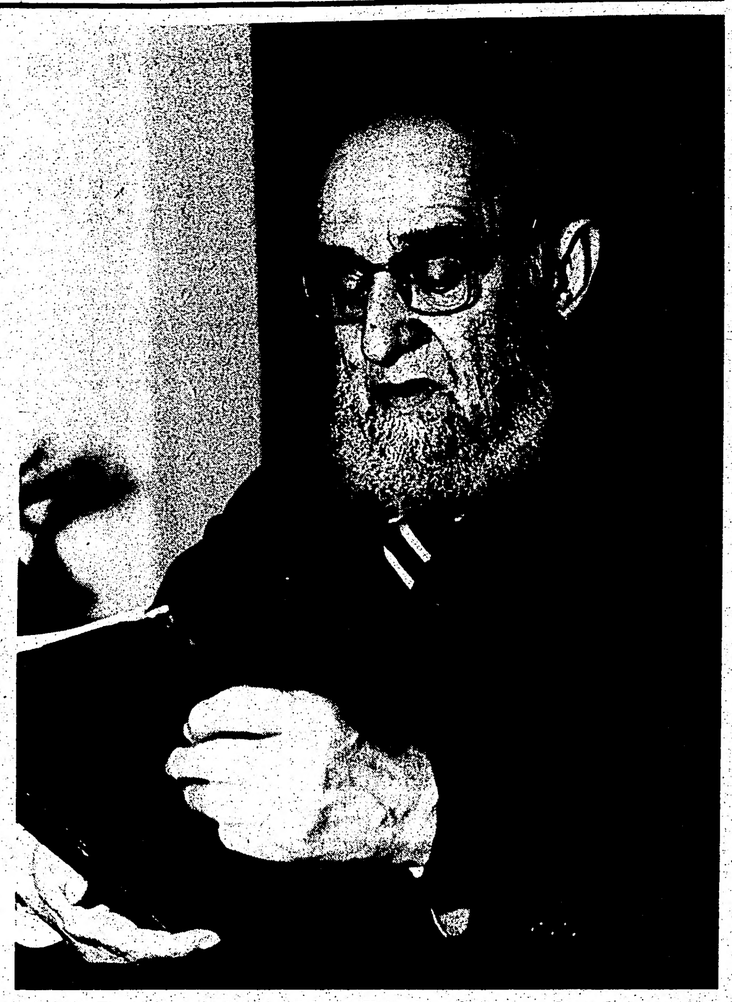

Religious Zionist leader Shlomo Zalman Shragai as he appeared at the age of 80

Letters to the Editor

Merger, singles, election are issues discussed here

The front page article headlined "Merger Proposal" of the Dec. 20 edition of The Canadian Jewish News, did not accurately report the facts. The CJC, Quebec Region officers have not yet approved any plans for merger with AJCS. The facts of the matter are as follows:—

In October, the question of merger was considered at the Quebec Region officers' committee. It was noted that the officers have an existing mandate from the regional executive and council to negotiate the possibility of merger with AJCS. It was generally agreed that merger could be initiated only after receiving approval from the executive and council.

A sub-committee chaired by Leon Teitelbaum was established to further examine the desirability of merger and to report back to the officers. The officers accepted the committee's opinion that merger was in the best interest of the Jewish community if it be established on a democratic basis. The sub-committee was then mandated to develop a draft proposal for the structure of a merged organization. If the draft is approved by the officers (which it has not) it will be presented to the executive committee of Congress.

Only if the officers and the Congress constituency as represented by the executive and the council approve both the principle and the proposed structure of a merged organization, will negotiations be undertaken with AJCS.

Congress has a fundamental commitment to democratic structures and decision-making in Jewish community organizations. Any merger between AJCS and Congress must be based both on these democratic principles and the efficient delivery of services to meet the needs of the Montreal Jewish community.

Edward B. Wolkove,
Chairman,
Quebec Region,
Canadian Jewish Congress.

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I was interested to read the report of Judy Jordan to the Council of Jewish Federation concerning Jewish singles living in Toronto. Among the points made was that there was a need for a Jewish introduction service to help singles meet each other in a manner that is dignified and sensitive.

I have been arguing for the need for such a program for a number of years, but following the Rabbinic dictum, "when no one does the job, do it yourself", I have established an introduction service called AHAVA, to meet this need.

Although it is run privately, it is appropriately called Community Jewish Introduction Services because it is run "l'shaym shomayim" — more like a co-op than a private enterprise.

There is indeed a tremendous singles problem in the Jewish community. It is not something that can be brushed under the rug. Nor can it be solved with yet another paper, another speech, or another vote. It requires Jews of good- will, who have a home, a wife, a husband, who love every day, to realize that next door, next block, nearby there hangs a dark cloud of loneliness that can only be dispelled by people who care.

Rabbi Meir Gottesman,
Director, AHAVA
The Community Jewish Introduction Service

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It will be not necessary for us Jewish voters to ponder the Jewish issue in our considerations whom to vote for.

All the leaders pronounced their sincere interest in the problems of the Jewish community. Unfortunately the rather radical proof of it in the Jerusalem situation turned out futile and even counterproductive and harmful.

The other, more pressing issue, the anti-boycott legislation, is not less delicate. Let's not require any promises to settle it without delay. The timing is not opportune right now.

More important it will be to choose a candidate able and willing to solve the problem in due time without bringing the integrity of Canada's status as true democracy and its economic and moral policies as well, into jeopardy.

Valerie White,
Toronto.

An occasion to salute fellow warriors for victories

By J.B. SALSBERG
[Second of two columns]

Last week I went to great lengths to prepare you for my unusual experience as speaker at the Chanukah-Christmas dinner that was arranged by the Fur Workers Union of Toronto.

The unique nature of the affair was made even more remarkable by the fact that the hosts of the occasion were the two top leaders of that union (Federman and Hershkovitz), who are prominent in such areas of Jewish national life as the Jewish Congress, Labor Zionism, Jewish Labor Committee, Histadrut etc. etc.

And, since you might well wonder why such positive Jewish personalities would arrange a "Chanukah-Christmas" festivity, so here are the explanations and, for good measure, some personal observations of the event.

First, this Chanukah-Christmas dinner was completely free of any religious connotation. It was a purely secular gathering of men and women of diverse origins and beliefs who formed a comradeship through years of common efforts, common experiences and common achievements.

Second, because of the feeling of mutual respect for the other's beliefs and practices this dinner displayed some unusual characteristics. About 70% of those attending were Jews and some of them; seated alongside their non-Jewish friends, wore yarmelkes and others wore their hats for the same religious reasons. It was also quite natural that the food served to all should be absolutely kosher and thus acceptable to every one present.

Third, the dinner was arranged for the pensioners, the veterans of the industry, by the Furriers Pension Fund that is jointly administered by the union and the manufacturers' association.

A representative of the employers was also present to bring greetings.

Until now I presented to you the prosaic and not necessarily inspiring description of the event. But to me the evening, was full of inspiration, pride and emotion. It was as if a curtain was raised to illuminate a page of our Jewish past.

There, at the long, narrow tables, sat a typical representation, a cross section of the dynamic, idealistic and sturdy generation that reached our Canadian shores after the first world war. Despite their youthfulness they brought with them the social, political and national dreams that inspired them in their places of birth as in Eastern Europe. They brought aims and goals and they set to work in the new environment to bring those aims to fruition. They became builders, they became champions.

And there they were in front of me — veterans of countless battles who contributed more than most people realize, to our present well-being and dignity.

They and thousands of similar Jewish immigrants, who arrived just before and immediately after the first world war, built unions and networks of social, cultural, educational and cultural organizations and movements. And they did it all with little money but with supreme dedication as inspired pioneers have always done.

Sure, they fought for the rights to have unions, for a shorter work week, for better working conditions and for "a living wage." But that wasn't all.

Through their unions they became a very important factor in the country-wide upsurge for social legislation. The veterans at the Toronto "Chanukah-Christmas dinner" and their like in Montreal, Winnipeg, etc., became seasoned fighters for what makes life more comfortable today. They fought the battles for union rights, for old age pensions, for health insurance, for mother's allowance, for safe and sanitary work conditions and much more.

Those at the Chanukah-Christmas dinner were also veterans of another war, a fierce and heart-breaking war; the war of the "left" and the "right" in the unions. The furriers suffered more than most needle trades workers in that tragic fratricidal war.

And there they were, before my eyes: Federman, the champion of the "right" and Hershkovitz, once of the general staff of the "left," sharing in the leadership of a united union. The same fraternity was seen at the tables around the hall.

Many of the early aims for social benefits have been achieved, though they need to be improved and extended. But the fur workers have also gained a union pension to make their life as seniors more pleasant.

I walked from table to table renewing acquaintances and recalling old battles. A retired Ukrainian worker came towards me with barely-retained tears in his eyes. We were overjoyed to see each other. "Do you remember the strike of 1933?" he asked. "Do you remember how we picketed then?" Oh, yes, I remembered it well. I remembered so many other things to be proud of at that unusual "Chanukah-Christmas dinner."

It was a night to remember. It was an occasion to salute old, fellow-warriors for hard-earned victories.

'Hussein has played obstructive role in peace process'

East Bank could make ideal Palestinian state

By GABRIEL BEN-DOR

The year 1980 will in all probability witness another historical "first" in the peace process: the establishment of diplomatic relations between Egypt and Israel, further demonstrating the impressive rate at which these two countries are implementing the provisions of the peace treaty. At the same time, it is clear that this is a time of relatively low activity on the Arab-Israeli front: due to the events in the Persian Gulf, the presidential year in the U.S. and the specifics of the time-table delineated in the peace treaty. When this period of "time out" is over — say in early or middle 1981, at the latest — the question of stabilizing what is still essentially a fragile bilateral ("separate") peace by turning it into a more comprehensive, enduring framework will arise more forcefully than ever.

Notwithstanding Egypt's visible disillusionment with the vagaries of pan-Arabism, Egypt is not likely to accept for long the unnatural status of a regional pariah-outcast. This state of affairs is equally unnatural and uncomfortable for the Saudis, Kuwaitis, Moroccans, Sudanese and many other Arabs who do not want to see a badly polarized Arab world, in which they painfully find themselves on the wrong side of the fence, allied with radical pro-Soviet forces confronting **their** natural allies — Egypt and the U.S. The way out is a comprehensive settlement, backed by a strong coalition of central forces in the Arab world, with active American participation (when the U.S. recovers — after the presidential election — a more impressive degree of ability to act creatively in the Middle East). As things stand, the key central Arab forces are reluctant to initiate, or join such a process for a variety of reasons — always quoting the inadequate handling of the Palestinian issue as **the** main reason.

The sincerity of this argument may be questioned on historical grounds, but political prudence gives some credence to the assumption that a more broadly based comprehensive settlement cannot be engineered without more impressive progress on the Palestinian front. Granted the strong national consensus in Israel (backed by 85 - 90% of the Jewish population, however measured): no third state between Israel and Jordan, no P.L.O., no Arab military West of the Jordan and the evidently strong Arab commitment to the cause of a Palestinian state, is there sufficient room to maneuver? Can creative thinking — within the constraints of the real world of politics — come up with imaginative ideas that may eventually help break a stalemate of this kind?

This is not impossible. However, several conventional ideas may have to be abandoned first. Constant partitioning, creating small and insecure entities facing each other across barbed wire may be passe. A binational state created by annexation seems neither acceptable to the Arabs nor very attractive to the Jews. The autonomy plan does have the advantage of being the first agreed-upon scheme between Israel and a leading Arab country on this issue; it contains a number of challenging ideas and it buys time while alleviating the lot of the inhabitants. However, it does not do much more than that. It speaks of administrative self-rule without resolving the question of political rule (which is what the entire problem is really about). It assumes Jordanian and local Palestinian participation, which are simply not forthcoming. It speaks of a transitional period, during which "Israeli forces will be withdrawn and redeployed in specified areas." How many forces? When? Where from? Where to? Specified by whom? Obviously, this cannot work in the long run in this vague form, which is a diplomatic way of agreeing to disagree.

Now let us consider some alternatives. First, let us accept the idea of shared rule (the basis of federalism) as the most appropriate one where claims of sovereignty conflict, and cannot be reconciled, in lieu of the principle of partition which leaves everybody even more dissatisfied (and armed to the teeth in their **ghettoes** . . . . .) It is a complex way of ruling — in complex situations where there are really no clear-cut answers. Second, let us recognize that the geographic-historical framework of the Palestinian problem (the original "mandatory Palestine") included what today is the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan — in fact, it is 80% of Palestine as envisaged by the League of Nations until British imperialist manipulations tore it away and made it the basis of a political entity which has no historical roots, no authentic political tradition on its territory and very weak moral claims.

By now, an absolute majority of Jordan's citizens (900,000 out of 1.7 million) are Palestinians; these tend to be better educated, they multiply rapidly and they are becoming increasingly politically aware and active. And yet, political rule in the East Bank is almost exclusively in the hands of the Bedouin king and his entourage. How long can this state of affairs endure? In the long run, it seems — to the extent that such judgements can be made, and who can plan political strategy without them? — that the facts of demography, sociology and eventually politics foreshadow the doom of the Hashemite regime.

If this is the case, the question is merely whether the downfall will be the result of incoherent change, accompanied by uncontrolled violence and creating further turbulence (remember Iran!), or else whether what is likely to be the course of history can be harnessed by enlightened statesmanship to the process of establishing a stable peace in the region. The forces historically enabling Hussein to survive (Israel, the U.S., Saudi Arabia) must perceive that this is the real future dilemma. Notice also Hussein's negative, indeed obnoxiously obstructive role in the peace process; he long ago ceased to be the moderate, stabilizing factor for which he was taken earlier. He thus missed the opportunity to join a historical process which may have changed the nature of his regime peacefully.

One interesting scheme emerging from all this would be: a Jewish state, pure and simple in the so-called 1967 boundaries, a Palestinian Arab state (with unrestricted sovereignty) on the East Bank, a federal arrangement (say a Palestinian-Israeli condominium) in the territories. The territories would be demilitarized (this would demand the demilitarization of only about a tenth of the territory some way under Palestinian control). Israel's security needs would be met by having an active Israeli presence overseeing demilitarization (jointly with the Palestinians and possibly other Arabs as well). Israelis would have free access to the territories and could settle if they could buy land peacefully. Open boundaries would assure the free exchange of goods. Federalism will ensure a share of sovereignty. Thus, most crucial requirements of the Israeli national consensus would be met. (Needless to emphasize all this can be done only in the framework of a comprehensive settlement).

For the Arabs, this scheme would create a Palestinian state, and a large one which could resolve the refugee problem and become an important and respected actor in regional politics. It would allow them unhindered sovereignty over a vast territory. In a federal arrangement, obviously sovereignty would be shared and restricted in the West Bank and Ghaza; but such arrangement would also reflect the realities of the situation in the territories, namely that the overwhelming majority of the population is Arab, and thus the functions of everyday life would be carried out by Arabs; the yearning for political ambitions could be satisfied via the federal arrangement with the East Bank.

Obviously, there are many technical points to be clarified (much of this has already been done by the Jerusalem Institute of Federal Studies), but that is not the area of the issue. The point is to develop, creatively, imaginatively and still realistically, new political options where old ones have not sufficed. (See also some recent ideas raised in Israel by Gen. Sharon and Mr. Eban.) What is suggested here is but one example utilizing two elements; shared rule and the East Bank. Other solutions involving other elements may be as good or better, and it is incumbent upon us to initiate a dialogue over such ideas with ourselves, then the Americans and of course the Arabs. But one thing ought to be borned always in mind: (and this should be particularly remembered by those who are worried about the fate of the Bedouins in Jordan under a scheme such as the one proposed here, which would mean for them a minority role commensurate with their numbers and eventually, power) — a stable peace **must** be built upon the manifestation of the balance of power, not on its distortion.

Righteous Gentiles are beacon of light amid history's story of persecution

By NACHMAN SHEMEN

Jews were punished when they disobeyed the laws of the land in which they lived, and punished even more when they were suspected of disobedience — despite the fact that the "laws of the state" were always acknowledged and respected by authoritative rabbis and scholars. Occasionally, Jews were respected, too.

The horrifying atrocities of the Emperor Hadrian are known to us through the Talmud and Homiletics. Exemplifying his hatred of Jews is a narrative to be found in the Midrash Rabah. A Jew passing by in the presence of Hadrian greeted the Emperor with "Shalom". Whereupon the mighty Caesar asked in astonishment: "A Jew dares to greet me? Let him be put to death"! It then transpired that a second Jew who witnessed this incident refrained from offering a greeting to the Emperor, which in turn brought a sentence of death.

With the loss of their sovereignty there began the anguish-laden history of the Jews in the Diaspora, and it was in this environment that the Talmud was created. The latter is an all-embracing encyclopedia of Jewish creativity over a decade of generations. During this period also were composed the ageless prayers devised to elevate the Jew spiritually, to fortify him with the hope and strength to withstand the trials and tribulations of a hostile world.

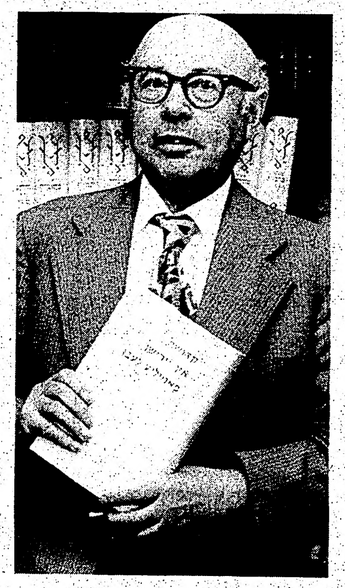
Two of the oppressive measures inflicted by the Roman conquerors on the captive Jewish population following the destruction of the Second Temple were: the outlawing of the practice of circumcision, and the prohibition against observance of the Sabbath — both on pain of death. In fact, all Jewish religious observance — that is, the keeping of the Commandments — was punishable by death.

The horrible sentences meted out to the "ten martyrs of the state" illustrate this fact. Rabbi Akiva's body was "combed with iron combs" as a punishment for persisting in the study of the Torah.

Of Rabbi Chanina ben Tardyon, it is said:

"And they wrapped Rabbi Chanina in a Sefer Torah (scroll), encircled him with bales of dry twigs to which they set fire, and then placed wet wool fibres on his chest to slow down the expiration of his soul (to prolong his agony) . . ."

The Talmud relates further that the executioner had pity on his victim, seeing his suffering, and offered to rescue him by helping him to escape, but Rabbi Chanina regarded his punishment as a decree from Heaven and refused any intervention to save his life. The executioner, a Roman, finally could no longer bear the agonizing sight and threw himself into the fire. A heavenly voice was heard proclaiming: "Rabbi Chanina ben Tardyon and Castineru (the Roman) have prepared themselves for the Eternal Life."



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The Ten Martyrs described in the Midrash Raba, subjects of the famous elegy "These I Remember" (recited during the Yom Kippur service) were tortured and put to death for no other reason than that they fought for the survival of the Jewish spirit and for the preservation of the Hebrew religion. This is confirmed not only in the sources mentioned, but is based on the passage in the Bible "these things I remember . . . pour out my soul within me" (Psalms 42:5).

Under Roman rule Jews were subjected to all kinds of hostile laws, this period being known in Jewish history as a "time of danger", an "era of tyranny"; a "generation of forced conversion." At one time the Roman rulers devised a plan to annihilate all the world's Jews in thirty days.

There were also Christian leaders, in the early stages of Christendom as a civil power, who engaged in the persecution of Jews. As an example, Constantine the Great (272-337), the Roman emperor who converted to Christianity, applied harsh measures against the Jews in a concerted attempt to force them to adopt Christianity.

Among the Popes we find contradictory attitudes towards Jews. For example, Archbishop Ovitus Clermont (579) made the following pronouncement: "If you (Jews) take on the Christian faith, you will be protected and you will enjoy the best the land can offer; if, however, you refuse to recognize the true religion and persist in your wicked belief, then I will not force you, but merely order you to leave the country."

On the other hand, Gregory the Great (590-604) expressed the following view: "Only by means of good will and kindness can we succeed in bringing them (the Jews) into the Christian fold; we will achieve nothing through the use of force.

Similar opinions are to be found in the writings of other leading Popes. In fact, for centuries there was no clear stand on the part of Christian leaders towards the Jews. There were those Christians who expressed pity for the suffering of the Jews, at times even helping or protecting them from their enemies. Others were merciless and brutal, regarding them as stubborn beings and trying to convert them to Christianity by force.

Is it any wonder then that Jews included in their prayers such an invocation as "U'lemalshinim" (concerning informers), asking the Almighty to banish evil and its perpetrators from the face of the earth, or at least to ensure that they be humiliated and stripped of their power.

At the same time we see sincerity and humanity between Talmudic scholars and upright Gentiles. For example, the Talmud contains many anecdotes about the friendship between Rabi (Rabenu Yehuda Hanassi) and Antoninus Caesar. Author of the Mishna and spiritual leader of all of Judea, Rabbi Yehuda received many favors from Antoninus, father-in-law of the famous emperor Marcus Aurelius (121-180 C.E.).

According to the Gemorrah, the Sanhedrin (law court) reached its highest stage of power and authority during the rule of Antoninus. It is said of him, that he was a man of great wealth, "richer than the Persian King." In times of famine he provided food for large numbers of Jewish inhabitants, contributing to the support of famous Jewish scholars.

Rabi assured Antoninus that he would have a share in the World to Come.

The Midrash relates that Antoninus once questioned Rabi as to why Jews were not obliged to pray more than three times a day. It would seem to the ordinary person that the more one prayed the better. Thereupon Rabi made it a point to meet up with the Emperor several times in one day and each time paid him fresh compliments. This annoyed Antoninus, who stopped abruptly and asked: "Have you no respect for the Imperial Majesty?" Rabi's reply was: "Now you see how senseless it would be to pray too often."

Antoninus once inquired of Rabi whether he (the Emperor) would partake of the Leviathan in the World to come, to which Rabi answered "Yes"!

Eventually Antoninus became a Jew, underwent circumcision and will forever stand in the first place of honor among the "righteous converts".

Also Rav, the first of the Amora'im (sages of Babylon), while adopting a stern approach to the Aramites of his day, became a close friend of King Artaban (Adrachan). When the latter died, Rav declared: "A bond has been torn asunder", referring to this friendship.

The most renowned of the Babylonian sages, Rav was the founder of the Yeshiva at Sura, which existed for nearly seven centuries. He is called "Rav Tanai Hu" (the greatest of the Tana'im) though he was a disciple of his uncle Rabbi Chaia and a student of Yehuda Hanassi. He is also known as a man "great in all branches of knowledge", talented and versatile. Rav's contemporary and friend, Shmuel Yarchina of Neherdea, likewise had association with Gentiles, among them King Safor who was his personal friend with whom he often engaged in discussions on religious matters. Another friend was the famous astrologer Ablat, with whom he frequently exchanged ideas in debate.

A story in the Midrash (Megillat Esther, Chapter 2) relates how Rav and Rabbi Chaia once came to the house of a Gentile friend in the city of Ashna. The host had prepared a splendid feast for his distinguished guests. After the meal, he asked Rabbi Chaia "What better feast can your God prepare for you in the next world?" And Rabbi Chaia answered: "Your banquet must come to an end, but the banquet which our God will make for us when the Meddiah comes will be endless."

Jews have always prayed for the peace of the realm in which they lived. They were loyal citizens of the country of their abode, and "to pray for the well-being of the State" became a cornerstone of Jewish ethics. Honest Gentiles in all ages were respected and honored.

People of all nations were regarded as brothers created by God, the Creator of all the living. For this reason we say in our daily prayers "The soul of every living being (**nishmas kol chai**) shall bless the Name of the Lord our God . . . because every mouth is known to Three . . . every soul shall praise the Lord . . ." That is why sacrifices were accepted from non-Jews. "Every man from the masses of Gentiles may bring sacrifices as Israel (does)".

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Haunting message of Holocaust book intensified by its eye-witness approach

By MEIR PERSOFF

Meir Persoff, the Jewish Chronicle features editor, reviews Martin Gilbert's book "Final Journey: The Fate of the Jews in Nazi Europe", published by Allen and Unwin.

This book should be compulsory reading for every schoolchild over 10, for every adult born after the war, for every member of the National Front, for every anti-Zionist who denies the Jew his rightful home in the land of Israel. It deserves to be translated into every language, to be transmitted on every wavelength, to be engraved into the hearts and minds of every being. This book is mankind's indictment of the inhumanity of man.

Hundreds of books have been published on the fate of the Jewish six million in Nazi-occupied Europe. What makes Martin Gilbert's different? Why did I shed tears as I read the closing quotation — "Guard yourself, as one has to guard every document, every piece of evidence, from this time of our universal destruction" — and why has its message haunted me ever since I put it down?

The answer is simple, because the message is simple. Gilbert's is not an academic treatise, a psychological study; it is a recitation of horror based, as Gilbert himself writes, on eye-witness accounts and on contemporary evidence. It is the story, in their own words, of those who died, and of those who survived: men, women, children even, unadorned, unvarnished, unfettered by inhibition or shame.

"On their own," writes Gilbert, "the statistics are powerful and terrible. But the story of the Nazi attempt to murder the Jews of Europe concerned individual people; people with names, families, careers and futures, for millions of whom no one survived to mourn, or to remember."

The statistics are there: 222,269 sets of men's suits and underwear, 192,652 sets of women's clothing and underwear, 99,922 sets of children's clothing and underwear — all sent from Auschwitz to Germany in the six weeks preceding January 15, 1945.

The names are there: S. Mogilewer, who recounts the terrible journey from Hamburg to Lublin; Gedaliah Schneider, who reached Palestine in July, 1944, after surviving the Bessarabian massacres; Rivka Yosselevska, from Zagrodski, near Pinsk, who testified against Adolf Eichmann at his trial in Jerusalem; Fania Fenelon, the pianist, who describes her deportation from Paris en route to Auschwitz.

The families are there — there one minute, and gone the next. The charts, photographs, maps, all are there, vividly illustrating the fate and the future of what Adolf Hitler called "the Jewish world-enemy."

Gilbert traces more than just the fate of these six million. He discusses the careers and characters of those who implemented that fate — principals like Eichmann, and the puppets like Bock. He covers the continent from France to the Crimea, wherein no city, no town, no village nor hamlet escaped. He describes the death camps, the labor camps, the mass executions, the forced marches, the starvation, from that day in January, 1933, when Hitler became Chancellor of Germany to that day in February, 1945, when a Polish survivor sent an account of her experiences to the President of the Polish Government-in exile in London.

Reading Gilbert's words, one hears the sounds, the screams, the sirens of hatred; one is choked by the stench of the ovens and the tears of the vanquished; one is shattered as chapter after chapter, victim after victim, unfolds a story that is only strengthened by repetition, until the mind boggles at the intensity and barbarity of it all.

Perhaps one will never be able to understand it. "Perhaps," writes Gilbert, "the depths of evil perpetrated on the Jews of Europe was such that ordinary people, living ordinary lives, will never be able to grasp it in all its enormity."

Perhaps so. But the onus is upon those "ordinary people" — the believers and the doubters, the survivors and the legatees — to read and to remember, to study and to teach, and that is why such books as Martin Gilbert's deserve a place on the shelves of every home, school, library and institution in this strife-ridden world which never seems to learn.

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1979 was a busy year in the world. Top row [from left]: Anwar Sadat and Menachem Begin meet at one of their summits; 300 tombstones lie toppled in a Flushing, New York Jewish cemetery; and Habib Elghanian, an Iranian Jewish leader, pleads for his life before an Islamic revolutionary court in Tehran. He was executed later in the day. Middle row [from left]: U.S. Nazis defend themselves from angry crowds in Parma, Ohio; Jews are ejected from German parliament during a debate on Statute of Limitations; actress Vanessa Redgrave [left] is at the centre of controversy over her role assignment as an Auschwitz survivor. She supports the PLO. Bottom row [from left]: American black leaders Benjamin Hooks of NAACP and Vernon Jordan Jr. of National Urban League were involved in a storm over the resignation of Andrew Young vis-a-vis his remarks on the PLO; a Los Angeles rabbi welcomes Vietnamese Boat People to the city. Many Jewish communities took up the cause of the Boat People. In a New York City ceremony, Golda Meir Memorial Square is dedicated. In attendance were the Major Koch [third from left] and the Israeli consul general, Paul Kedar [right].

Organizations and People

what's new

By MIRIAM HERMAN

WEEKEND HAPPENINGS

The weekend starts off with **Friday, Jan. 11 ---**

A Concert-In-The-Round at Temple Sinai, featuring saxophonist Paul Brodie and a string quartet under the leadership of violinist Morry Kernerman, is presenting a program of works by Canadian and Israeli composers highlighted by the world premiere of **Suite Sephardi,** a newly-commissioned work by Toronto composer Ben Steinberg. Services begin at 8:15 p.m., following by the concert.

The Jewish Student Federation-Jewish Students' Union Chassidic Shabbaton takes place Jan. 11-12 at the Markham Street Shul, 395 Markham St. Program includes discussion, a tour of the old Jewish section of Toronto, singing and learning. For information, call 667-3647.

Then on **Saturday, Jan. 12 ---.**

For an evening of fun, King David Lodge B'nai B'rith is putting on a quiz night full of questions about sports, music, trivia, and just plain general knowledge. It all takes place at Beth Tikvah Synagogue. Get tickets in advance by calling Neil Nathan at 497-3525.

Here's your chance to see the Israeli film about the Entebbe raid, **Operation Thunderbolt**, being screened at Ulpanot Orot School, 4445 Bathurst St., at 8 p.m. Screening is sponsored by the Student Council of Yeshiva Or Chaim with proceeds going towards a school trip. Tickets at the door. For further information, call 633-3609 (between 7-9 p.m.).

It's opening night for the Ron Ribman play, **Cold Storage,** which settles in for a three-week run at the Leah Posluns Theatre. About two doomed men on the terrace of a New York hospital, Cold Storage won the 1977 Drama Critics Award during its New York run. The Toronto production is directed by Reva Tward and stars Hollywood actor Nehemiah Persoff and Canadian actor Richard Davidson. Box office number is 630-6752.

Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi Organization has arranged a Maleveh Malka, its first city-wide program of 1980, to welcome the new friends of Mizrachi to Toronto. Rabbi Marvin Pacino will address the group. The time is 8:30 p.m. at Ulpanot Orot School, 4445 Bathurst St.

And on **Sunday, Jan. 13 ---.**

At the Beth Sholom Brotherhood Breakfast and Tefillin Club meeting, Beth Sholom executive director Henry C. Cowen will discuss **The Significance of Jewish Nationalism and Zionism.** That's at 9:30 a.m.

Yavneh Chapter of Mizrachi is having a breakfast meeting at "The Bayit," 296 Wilson Ave., Downsview. Rabbi Immanuel Schochet will speak on **The Magid From Mezrich.** Program begins at 8:30 a.m. with T'fillot, followed by breakfast at 9:15.

Hebrew folk dancing classes with instructor Adina Kaufman begin this Sunday and will continue each Sunday from 7-10:30 p.m. through to April 13 at the faculty of education gym 151 at the University of Toronto. Classes are sponsored by the Jewish Students' Union. For more information, call JSU at 923-9861.

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Congregation is presenting a lecture on **Perspectives on Loneliness** by Rabbi Reuven Bulka at 8:15 p.m.

The literary evening planned by the Yiddish Culture Council for this Sunday has been postponed. But be sure to make a note that the lecture on Feb. 24 with Itche Goldberg will take place as scheduled.

NCJW, LONDON SECTION

The National Council of Jewish Women, London section, third annual Jewish Family Life Series focusses on **Suddenly Single.** Series begins Wednesday, Jan. 9, with **I'm Suddenly Single,** and continues on consecutive Wednesdays with **By Divorce or Widowhood** (Jan. 16), **What About the Children?** (Jan. 23) and **What Do I Do Now?** (Jan. 30). All sessions take place at the London Jewish Community Centre, 532 Huron St., at 8:15 p.m.

CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW

Keren Hatarbut Institute is offering a 20-week course in conversational Hebrew, commencing Jan. 22, at 8 p.m. at the Zionist Centre, 788 Marlee Ave. Students who are on an intermediate or advanced level can enroll at any time in the existing courses. For more information, call Joseph Klinger at 787-0197.

SUBMISSIONS TO TASK FORCE

The Task Force on the Racial and Ethnic Implications of Police Hiring, Training, Promotion and Career Development invites submissions from interested groups and individuals. The Task Forced is not an investigative or a complaint body. It is primarily interested in receiving suggestions which will help in its deliberations. The results of this study are intended to assist the police as they face the challenges of an increasingly complex and pluralistic society in the province of Ontario. Address enquiries and submissions to The Task Force on the Racial and Ethnic Implications of Police Hiring, Training, Promotion and Career Development, Ministry of Solicitor General, 25 Grosvenor St., 11th Floor, Toronto, M7A 1Y6. Telephone 965-2196. Deadline for submissions is Jan. 31.

SINGLES DANCE

Rise above it all is what the Lets Get Acquainted Jewish singles group is saying about its dance on Monday, Jan. 14, at the Stop 33 Lounge in the Sutton Place Hotel, 955 Bay St. From 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. you can dance to the live disco sounds of Donna Robbins.

OF INTEREST TO SENIORS

On Tuesday, Jan. 15, Beth Tzedec Friendship Club + 50 presents the movie **Laura.** That's at 1:15 p.m.

Also on Tuesday, the 15th, the Luncheon-of-the-Month for mothers and daughters, presented by the Wagman Centre, features a talk on **The Jews of Toronto and Ontario** by Congress archivist Steven Speisman. For reservations, call 789-5131, ext. 410.

The Health Education Program, focussing on nutrition, fitness, cooking, weight control and shopping, begins Jan. 24 for eight consecutive Thursdays through to March 13. Sessions are from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Jewish Community Centre north branch. The program is sponsored by the Group for Community Development, Association of Jewish Senior Clubs, Co-ordinated Services to Jewish Elderly and is funded by the New Horizons program of the Ministry of National Health and Welfare. For registration information, call 635-2860.

Eighty-six residents of the Jewish Home for the Aged spoke to loved ones all around the globe thanks to a Chanukah gift from members of Wilson Heights Lodge B'nai B'rith. For the 17th consecutive year, lodge members paid for a three-minute phone call for each JHA resident who wanted to place one. This year, calls were placed to Australia, the USSR, the United Kingdom, Israel, and all over the North American continent.

Chassidic rock trio cuts new albums teaching Jewish precepts to music

By VIVIEN SHARON

TORONTO — What better way to reach Jewish children than through song. The medium, when transmitted with vivacity and an upbeat rhythm, has a special way of penetrating the formative minds of the young. Why not, then, use pop music as a means of teaching children Jewish laws and customs?

Such is the philosophy of three North York men, Zale Newman, 24, Milton Tanenbaum, and Chaim Shainhouse, 28, who, three months ago cut their first album called **Uncle Moishy and the Mitzvah Men.** The three part-time "professional" musicians are Canada's only Chassidic rock trio and perform under the name Shema Kolenu (Hear Our Voices).

Affiliated with the Lubavitch movement, they subscribe to the precept that joyous religious expression is transmitted through song and dance.

The album, which is geared for the toddler as well as the adolescent, features nine original and adapted tunes set to pop music. It covers a variety of Jewish precepts with whimsical delight: give tzedakah (charity); hang a mezuzah on your door; observe Shabbos (Sabbath); and eat only kosher. One song, "Torah Tzivah" is in Hebrew.

Why a children's album?

"The field of children's records is just opening up as a marketable entity," said Shainhouse, a property manager and financial analyst, who plays keyboard in the group. "Our tunes are in English so kids can adapt better and do mime and mimicking — that's how they learn traditional Jewish values," explained the former student of Associated Hebrew Schools and a member of its board.

A majority of the numbers are by us," said lead singer and guitarist, Milton Tanenbaum, who works as a salesman while not performing. Yet one is based on the tune Frere Jacques; another is called Big Gedaliah Goomber and is a takeoff from Paul Bunyan.

The final song, "Uncle Moishy Sez Good Bye" combines some basic Jewish Mitzvot. The second stanza is typical:

"He taught us to put a mezuzah on our door.

"And to give tzedakah each and every day

"Gedaliah Goomber came along and sang his Shabbos song

"Started when the Shabbos went away."

A song sheet is included to be used by parents and educators to familiarize them with the words and traditional Jewish practices. It is not only for observant children, pointed out Shainhouse, but embraces all Jewish movements.

Not your traditional children's album, the tunes are jazzy, even disco-like. Instruments like the moog synthesizer and electric guitar are used with lots of sound effects. Their personal concert appearances are equally dazzling with strobe lights and visual effects.

The group has been playing regularly at youth conventions and fundraising concerts around Canada and the U.S., and has performed with Theodore Bikel and Israeli singers Duo Reim.

To reach the youth, Shema Kolenu embarked on a Torah tour of 25 overnight camps in Ontario and Quebec over the past three summers. "We specifically went to non-Orthodox camps," said Tanenbaum, whose dream is to do a North American tour.

"Once you start to play Jewish music, the kids at every camp get up and dance. The medium of music is so powerful that it awakens Jewishness — no matter how far you may be from Judaism, it gets them going," added Tanenbaum.

Group founder and leader Zale Newman, began Shema Kolenu in Israel during the '73 Yom Kippur War to entertain soldiers in army bases and hospitals. It was there that the first album was cut; the second was recorded in New York with different musicians.

Newman, a graduate student and businessman, reformed the group with Shainhouse and Tanenbaum when he returned to Toronto five years ago.

More than 4,000 copies of "Uncle Moishy" have already been bought in the United States, most of which went to New York City's observant community in Boro Park.

Produced by New York record company Suki & Ding and distributed by Menorah Distributors, close to 1,000 copies have been snapped up in Toronto. Talks are underway for possible worldwide distribution through international Lubavitch centres.

The album is officially sponsored by the Jewish Education Program in New York City and the Joseph and Faye Tanenbaum JEP branch office in Toronto.

Currently at work on a sequel album, Around the World With Uncle Moishy, the trio hope to have it released this summer.

The album can be obtained at these Toronto outlets: The Lubavitch Youth Organization office, The Negev Book Store, and Mr. Electronics, 3825 Bathurst Street. Any groups or schools requesting copies in volume should contact Chaim Shainhouse at 769-4156 during office hours.

Yiddish newspaperman spins poetry in English

By MURRAY MALKIN

TORONTO — For those of us who only read English the name Isaac Goldkorn probably means very little. But for the people who read Yiddish, Goldkorn's name sounds familiar.

The tiny, soft-spoken man has turned out 10 Yiddish books in his time and recently completed his first English book, a collection of poems entitled **Yellow Letters, Green Memories.**

Asked why after all these years he finally wrote a book in English, Goldkorn replied: "It's hard to explain the mechanism of writing. The genesis of writing is a mystery. I just had the mood to write in English."

Goldkorn has moved around in Yiddish writing circles, serving in a number of different North American cities, but he is probably best known for the 10 years he spent on the staff of the Daily Forward in New York City.

The native of Poland who came to Canada in 1951 said most of his books have sold between 800 and 1,000 copies. He said that perhaps he "could've sold more copies of his books but a writer shouldn't sell his books personally." He doesn't want a person to do him a favor by purchasing a copy of one of his books.

Yiddish writer Isaac Goldkorn

Goldkorn said that while he worked on the Forward he wrote a number of essays on Yiddish writers and on different cultural topics.

Now that he is retired, at the age of 68, he can spend his time working on his books, at his leisure. Writing his works in long hand first and then typing the final draft, Goldkorn said his pieces look at a number of different topics. "I talk about Christ, about the megalopolis, about the past."

Anne Frank memorialized

The 50th birthday of Anne Frank (1929-1945), has been commemorated in permanent form by a work of medallic sculpture showing Anne as she looked when she wrote **The Diary of a Young Girl** — one of the biggest selling boks of all time, translated into more than 50 languages. Otto Frank, Anne's 90-year-old father, on seeing the design for the Anne Frank medal, gave his warm blessing to The Judaic Heritage Society, expressing his gratitude and appreciation of the portrait of his daughter which he described as "an excellent work which does justice to Anne."

To observe her birthday, Otto Frank and Queen Juliana of The Netherlands led a pilgrimage to the narrow red-brick building in Amsterdam where Anne, with her father, mother, sister and four other Jews spent two years hiding in an attic and where Anne wrote her celebrated diary. Anne died in the Nazi death camp of Bergen-Belsen, only three months before her 16th birthday. Her father was the only member of the family to survive the war.

The photograph used by The Judaic Heritage Society in creating the Anne Frank Commemorative Medal was one Anne herself pasted in her diary on October 10, 1942. Beside it, she wrote, "This is a photo as I would wish myself to look all the time. Then I would maybe have a chance to come to Hollywood."

The Anne Frank Commemorative Medal was designed by the brilliant young Polish-born Israeli artist, Zamy Steynovitz. In the past six years, his exhibitions have won him international awards in Brussels, London, Milan, Basel, Geneva and New York. Most recently, Zamy Steynovitz created a work in homage to the 1978 Nobel Peace Prize winners. He personally presented this work to the Prime Minister of Israel, to the President of Egypt and also to the President of the United States.

...about people

Marion Bessin

Marion Bessin has been elected to the board of trustees of Bar-Illan University, Ramat-Gan, Israel. A native New Yorker and graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Mrs. Bessin came to Canada following her marriage to Hyman Bessin of Ottawa, becoming active in the Jewish community there. She was a founder of Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi Women's Organization of Canada, serving first as national secretary, then as national secretary and subsequently as chairman of the administrative board. Active in a broad spectrum of the educational and cultural life of the community — Ottawa Hebrew Day School, Talmud Torah, Board of Education, Jewish Community Centre Library, Vaad Ha'Ir, Israel Bonds, Canadian Friends of Yeshiva University — she also, together with her husband, worked closely with Pinchas Churgin in pioneering efforts to establish Bar-Ilan University and its Canadian Friends organization. Mrs. Bessin now resides in Toronto.

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Among the 60 Canadians appointed to the Order of Canada, the country's highest distinction, are Torontonians psychologist and educator **Reva Gerstein** and CBC broadcaster **Barbara Frum,** who were named officers of the order, and Moncton lawyer **Reuben Cohen** and Montreal music professor and orchestra leader **Ethel Stark,** who are included in the list of new members. The governor-general will present the orders formally at an investiture next spring.

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A solo exhibition of oil paintings, watercolors and drawings by Toronto artist Laura Marks opens today at the Prince Arthur Galleries, 33 Prince Arthur Ave., and runs through to Jan. 26. A graduate of Forest Hill Collegiate, Miss Marks continued her art education at Central Tech and Three Schools, making her debut in the Toronto art community in 1973 with a show of paper mache sculptures. Following that show, she began changing her art style and began painting the realism this current show presents.

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sparks from the torah

By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Weekly Halacha: Only wine made under Jewish auspices is kosher
Parshat Shemot

The world doesn't always appreciate the Jewish people. But at least we have to appreciate each other.

A poor man once entered the house of a wealthy man. The rich miser realized that he would have to give him a nice donation, so he hid in an ante-room and left word saying that he was out.

The poor man noticed the subterfuge, and commented bitterly: "Now I understand why our rabbis taught that welcoming poor guests is greater than greeting the face of the Holy Shechina. When Moses saw the Holy Shechina in the burning bush, he hid his face. This fellow saw a guest coming, and he hid his whole body."

A person who holds back giving charity is foolish. How much money can we use in this world? Is there a special pocket in the burial **tachrichim** for gold and silver shares? All we can take along is our mitzvahs, the kindness we do.

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When a Jew wakes up each morning, he should thank G-d for one privilege — that he is a Jew. We are a people precious to G-d, that no one can keep down for long.

Consider . . . the Parsha tells us that a new King (King Tut's zeide?) arose over Egypt "who did not know Joseph . . ." What does that mean? He didn't know that there had once been a Hebrew prime minister named Joseph who had saved the whole Egyptian economy? Is that possible? After all, Joseph was written down in all the Egyptian history books!

But the Torah means to tell us something else. A new, vicious Pharaoh arose who wanted to destroy the Jews. He felt he could oppress, crush, and wipe out the Jewish race.

He did not know the story of Joseph. He did not know that Joseph had been sold into bondage, that he had been maligned by his master's wife, that he had been cast into a black-hole of a prison for years — but when it was G-d's will, he was lifted up to the highest eminence.

He did not know Joseph! The Arafats, the Khomeinis, the Amins and Khadafis still don't know that although you can kill some Jews, you can imprison and grind down for a while, G-d's will is that the Jewish people must always remain — and flourish!

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Foolish Pharaoh! He wanted to destroy the Jewish people. What did he do — he persecuted and hunted them down. But the more suffering he caused, **"kain yirbeh v'chain yifratz** — so they multiplied and so they spread forth . . ." The more you try to hurt Jews, the more they resist.

What should he have done? He should have simply taken a little trip to Canada and America and seen the easy way to get rid of Jews. Let them prosper; give them big homes; build luxurious temples and synagogues that reach up to the sky; make money the god and divorce the norm; immorality the rule book — and watch the Jews make themselves disappear!

We are doing to ourselves with our own misplaced priorities and tepid religious commitment what all the enemies could not do for millenia. And our only salvation is the Torah, nothing else. Not Torah with silver crowns and expensive breastplates, but true Torah preached, practised, lived.

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The famous Rogochover Gaon had long hair that flowed down over his neck. He was once asked why he doesn't take a haircut more often. He answered: "I don't forgive myself the minutes away from studying Torah that a haircut takes."

May G-d redeem us soon, amen. Shabbat Shalom.

Satirist Murray Soupcoff pokes fun at pomposities

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

— In 1984, the Montreal Gazette reveals that the RCMP have installed 23 million telephone taps right across the country, tapping the telephones of every Canadian household. Prime Minister Turner defends the mass buggings as essential to national security. "You never know what kinds of untruths people are whispering about me," he tells the House of Commons.

— As a publicity stunt in 1984, former Prime minister Joe Clark flies over Saskatoon in a hot-air balloon and becomes a hero. When the balloon's hot-air burner malfunctions, Conservative-leader Clark singlehandedly keeps the balloon aloft by reading from a collection of his political speeches.

— Murray Soupcoff, Canada 1984: The Year In Review.

"The role of a true satirist is to go after both sides, to pick out the follies and foibles of all political parties," says Murray Soupcoff, whose new book does just that with varying degrees of success.

There are few satirists in Canada, and Soupcoff, 37, is one of them.

His latest book, **Canada 1984: The Year In Review** (Lester & Orpen Dennys), is a good-humored look at the personalities and events that make this country what it is.

Soupcoff's first volume of satire was entitled **Good Buy Canada,** a best-seller bought by 10,000 Canadians.

On radio, he has tickled the funny bone of Canadians on such programs as **Inside from the Outside, Morningside** and **Sunday Morning.**

Soupcoff admits that a satirist in Canada has a harder time of it than one who works in the United States. "Canada is duller, and it's a regionalized country, with each area turned inward," he explains.

Yet there is no lack of material for the eagle-eyed satirist, he says. The escapades of Margaret Trudeau, the vanities of John Turner, the stupidities of Joe Clark, the arrogance of Pierre Trudeau and the rapacious-ness of the RCMP keep a satirist quite busy.

And, contrary to myth, Canadians like to laugh when the moment seizes them. The National Lampoon, a U.S. publication, has a higher circulation per capita in Canada than down south, Soupcoff observes. And Canadians, of course, are avid fans of American TV programs which poke fun at leading figures.

Perhaps the greatest testimony to Canadians' yen for satire is Murray Soupcoff himself.

In spite of the insecurities he has experienced, Soupcoff, married with one child, has been able to earn a living — if nothing more — as a satirist. "You never know in this business," he says. "It's not an easy life. You don't always know what tomorrow will bring."

His disclaimer notwithstanding, Soupcoff — a man with a rather sad demeanor — is doing relatively well in his chosen field (though, just for good measure, he works as a consultant in sociological research).

A native of Toronto, he holds several degrees in sociology from the University of Toronto. No doubt his academic background gives him a keener insight into the workings of Canadian society — an essential prerequisite of an accomplished satirist.

"I have written satire and humor since I've been a kid," he explains. "In high school, I wrote sketches for reviews, and at the University of Toronto, I did a satirical column for the Varsity."

While at university, he thought seriously of becoming a full-time academic. But he chose writing over academia, thinking that he would be able to return to university anytime he wanted. Those were years of plenty insofar as university posts were concerned, so Soupcoff had good reason to believe that he could pursue both.

"Writing gives me the most creative fulfillment," he says. "And I've got a stubborn streak, too."

For Soupcoff, satire is "my way of saying things in an amusing way. But there has to be a point behind the humor. It's not just to make people laugh."

(Woolworth's photo)
Murray Soupcoff

Surprisingly, Soupcoff is not politically-oriented, as are most satirists. "I think like a lot of people today," he remarks. "I have no particular party affiliation or ideological conviction. I'm a pragmatist, I guess.

"You hope you can point out the contradictions in what a government is doing and what a politician is saying, and thereby influence readers. A good satirist must have a sense of outrage, be sensitive to hypocrisy and injustice and identify with the little guy."

Canada 1984, he feels, is lighter than **Good Buy Canada.** The latter, published in 1975, was "heavier and, ideologically, a bit more left-wing. My newest book is more in the centre and reflects the values, if there is such a thing, of the average Canadian."

In reply to a question, Soupcoff says **Good Buy Canada's** slightly more militant line was inspired by his first publisher, James Lorimer.

Almost anyone is fair game for Soupcoff's dripping pen, though the queen is sacrosanct, according to convention. Actually, Canada's libel laws are very stringent, "and if you were to interpret them literally, you would have trouble doing anything."

Fortunately, Soupcoff's favorite targets — Margaret Trudeau, Joe Clark and John Turner — are public figures and, therefore, liable to lampooning.

He's got fairly definite views of each one.

Margaret Trudeau: "She exploited her situation in life, having become a millionaire for no real, valid reason."

Joe Clark: "I feel he has no fixed policies. He appears to have only one desire: to be prime minister. He seems to have no substance. He's a very superficial person, and I get the impression he's not too bright."

John Turner: "His record as finance minister is nothing to be proud of. A tremendous amount of his appeal is in his image."

The material in this column was supplied and space purchased by the United Jewish Appeal.

Nat Hurwich [third from left], has the total attention of his listeners during a break at Synagogue breakfast meeting at Beth Tzedec. Taking it all in are Saul Goldberg, Jerry Goldenberg and Lawrence Rosenfeld.

Overall **Pharmacy** chairman, **Murray Rubin** and **Norman Stern** who heads the Shoppers Tops division, report that 58% of their campaign is completed and the division is showing a 16% increase over 1979. At the rate they're going, the pharmacists should be able to report 100% completion very soon.

This is the way ALL divisions should be operating and I hope that those groups which have still to move into high gear will take note. There is no good reason why we can't "break the back" of the campaign within the next few weeks.

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Would you believe that more than a dozen members of the Thursday Morning Club turned out for the meeting between Christmas and New Year's. And I thought that everybody would be out of town! Maybe it was the lack of snow that brought a number of skiers in --- but whatever the reason, it was gratifying to see such a great turnout in the "slow" period. Most of those who attended brought in completed cards, which goes to prove that any time is canvassing time.

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Jack Chisvin, chairman of the Project Renewal liaison committee, reports that plans are moving ahead rapidly to proceed with the rehabilitation of Kiryat Menachem, the Jerusalem slum area which Toronto is assisting. **Benjy Hyman,** the Project co-ordinator for Kiryat Menachem, has drawn up a list of proposed projects and programs and he advises that the steering committee will make specific recommendations very soon.

Jack will make a full report at a special meeting soon for Project Renewal contributors and prospective contributors.

As most of you are aware, the Project Renewal campaign is being conducted in tandem with the UJA campaign. A reminder: you can use Israel bonds to pay your pledge to Project Renewal.

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Graphic Arts co-chairmen **Alvin Schrage** and **John Alexander** have scheduled an opening breakfast meeting for the division at the Inn on the Park on Sunday, January 20. A healthy turnout is expected and they hope to have a complete distribution of cards.

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The UJA student mission to Israel, under the leadership of **Mark Gryfe,** has just returned to Toronto. We'll have lots to tell you about it just as soon as the young participants come down to earth after all the heady excitement of two weeks of non-stop activities.

Pearl Ross, who practices dentistry under her maiden name of **Jacks,** is this year's chairman of the annual Alpha Omega dinner which takes place at Beth Tikvah Synagogue on Monday, January 14. Guest speaker is **Maurice Corson,** national executive director for UIA.

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The new belt-tightening measures recently announced by Israel's finance minister, **Yigal Hurwitz,** are making life extremely difficult for larger families.

Maariv, one of Israel's leading newspapers, reports, for example, that one family of 12 who live in a three-room apartment in Safed, has had to cut its daily consumption of bread from four to three loaves. The children used to get one egg daily. Now, each child gets **either** milk **or** an egg per day. Instead of three chickens per week, the family buys two and instead of 1½ kilos of beef per week, they buy only one. There are no longer any sweets or treats for the children.

This is fairly typical of daily life for thousands of Israelis, according to Maariv. And it's one of the reasons why we, in Toronto, must do everything possible to help the people of Israel lead a better life.

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At the end of the year, which is about mid-term for the campaign, our computer reports showed that more than 1,000 NEW gifts have been received so far — that is gifts from people who have never contributed to UJA before. It's good to know that we are broadening the base of our contributors and I congratulate our canvassers for doing such a great job in reaching out so effectively.

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CANVASSER OF THE WEEK: This pretty face belongs to **Marsha Friedlander,** a dynamic newcomer to the canvasser ranks. During the day Marsha toils at the Thrifty head office as **Alan Lerman's** girl Friday. But after hours she's a UJA whizz, lending her energy and talent as canvasser and telethoner to such divisions as Men's Wear, Young Executives and Women's Division. Marsha participated in the Young Leadership orientation program this past fall and has just joined the Walkathon planning committee. And this is only her second year of UJA involvement! She's already a seasoned campaigner, but then, who could refuse to raise their pledge when Marsha flashes that smile!

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In conjunction with the Joseph and Faye Tanenbaum Jewish Education Program, Agudath Israel of Toronto announces the creation of the Russian Immigrant Services and Education Project (Project RISE).

A result of a pilot project launched during the summer, Project RISE intends to act as the bridge providing the resources of the Jewish community in Toronto to the immigrant population recently arrived from Europe.

Agudath Israel of Toronto also announces that its commission on legislation and civic action has made available a leaflet entitled The Jewish Patient's Bill of Rights. Rabbi S. N. Mandel, acting chairman of the commission explains that the purpose of the pamphlet prepared by Agudath Israel of America is to clarify what an observant Jewish patient may expect from a hospital administration in relation to his specific needs. Mandel stated, "We know that most hospitals eager to offer the most effective healing facilities to all their patients will welcome this clarification of Jewish needs."

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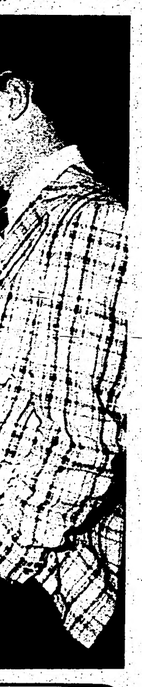

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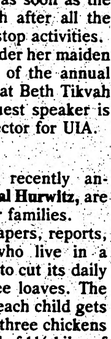

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Isabel Strub heads UIA Ontario for women

By MOURA WOLPERT

Soft-spoken, sensible and down-to-earth, Isabel Strub has a knack of cutting through the rhetoric to the heart of an argument, as anyone who has ever sat on a board or committee with her well knows. She has a way of pinpointing a problem, putting it in plain language and then finding practical solutions, usually staying around long enough to see them through, holding hands or getting angry along the way as the need arises.

She succeeds Gay Berger of Toronto as chairman of the women's division UIA, Ontario Region, and whether her considerable practical abilities will be put to good use is up to those who are likely to seek her advice in the coming campaign.

Mrs. Strub herself sees her role as liaison between the national executive and the women of Ontario and until the campaign starts, "I'm going to play it by ear," she says. Mrs. Strub has a very sensitive ear indeed.

Isabel Strub

Born in Philadelphia, she came to Hamilton with her parents and sister as a young teenager, attending high school here and later the University of Toronto, where she graduated in psychology. A group social worker at the Hamilton Psychiatric Hospital until her marriage, she gradually became involved in what she refers to as "the inner workings of the Jewish community" following the arrival of her three sons.

Members of the now defunct Hamilton branch of the National Council of Jewish Women knew Mrs. Strub as a devoted worker with a marked leadership ability which was coming more and more in demand as she served on the board of the Hamilton Jewish Federation for 10 years, as chairman of Jewish Social services and for many years as a member of the campaign cabinet of Hamilton UJA, finally becoming co-chairman of the women's division in 1977 nand 1978.

Her community involvement has had its effect on the family. With her husband Leo, a former president of the Jewish Community Centre, also becoming increasingly active in the community, it was only natural that their sons would follow by taking active roles themselves. "We are very proud of them", says Mrs. Strub as she notes that 18-year-old Arnie is treasurer of the Regional council of BBYO, 16-year old Marty vice-president of the local AZA chapter and Andy, 12, secretary of the local USY group.

Deeply affected by what she saw in Poland and Romania while on a UIA women's division mission two years ago, Mrs. Strub has since redoubled her efforts on behalf of UIA, anxious to share her knowledge and concern for the problems of Israel and Jews everywhere as a means to increasing support.

"My going on to the Ontario division is a natural extension of my work in the community and the greater commitment to UJA," she explains, "but my trip was the chance to do it now when the commitment was still so deep."

Education is the key and "face to face canvassing the only way to tell the story," she insists. "It is our job to make women care," she continues and as a reminder to women that their contributions "are no longer a token gift," adds firmly that "a contribution that 20 years ago was considered substantial, is no longer relevant in today's inflationary period and in the role that women play in our Jewish life today."

Special arrangements for new immigrants before serving in Army

aliyah talk

By URI BRODES

An area of interest to anyone interested in aliyah is military service. This month we will discuss Israel's Defence Forces (IDF). Several hours after the proclamation of independence in 1948, the armies of Egypt, Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and Saudi Arabia invaded the state of Israel in an effort to destroy it. The citizens of the new state mobilized themselves and all available means to repel this aggression, for no regular army had yet been established. In the midst of the fighting the Israel Defence Forces was born.

Then, as now, Arab armies have far outnumbered the IDF, both in manpower and equipment. Alternatives, therefore, had to be sought for redressing the balance, so that the IDF could continue to safeguard the independence of the state. The secret of its success lies in a series of intangible qualities such as dedication, spirit and leadership, along with a high level of scientific and technological skill and a unique system of reserve mobilization.

The bulk of the IDF's strength lies in its reserve units. These are mobilized in times of crisis and can swiftly transform the IDF from a small force of regulars into a powerful citizens' army. Reservists are normally called into training and manoeuvres. Relationships between officers and men do not follow the pattern usual in most other armies. There is no "officer class", and leadership is based to a large extent on personal examples and proficiency.

The army plays an important role in educational welfare programs, both within and outside its own framework. Special conditions are available for new immigrants and problematic youth, and the IDF offers welfare services to soldiers whose families are in need of help. Many soldiers learn skills during their service which are valuable to them as civilians later on, and officers are afforded the opportunity of gaining a university education.

Women serve in non-combat capacities, ranging from wireless operators to teachers. Many women soldiers serve in educational and welfare capacities in civilian development throughout the country. The IDF has made a major contribution toward narrowing social and economic gaps and in integrating people of diverse backgrounds into a cohesive and unified society.

For new olim there are special arrangements which will allow them to live in Israel before being called for service in order to allow them time to study Hebrew and to adjust to their new environment. The newcomers serve shortened terms depending upon age, marital status and physical fitness. Before leaving for Israel every oleh should find out about his individual obligation regarding military service. For further information regarding the army or any information pertaining to aliyah, please call us at our office.

During Nov., 14 people made aliyah from Toronto with the assistance of the Israel Aliyah Centre with the hopes of settling in Israel and finding a permanent home there.

Dr. David Davidson, Director of the Ashkelon Mental Health Centre, visited Toronto in November. He interviewed people in the mental health fields (psychologists, social workers, etc.) and provided people with much information. Allan Korzon, an ex-Torontonian, a lawyer from Netanya, Israel addressed our lawyers' group.

Now is the time to start organizing and planning the summer programs for the youth. There are programs for college age and high school age, field work projects, winter seminars, Jewish community groups and also longer term programs. We also have kibbutz programs, nature study centers, desert camping and others.

The Young Kibbutz Movement helps kibbutz ulpanists and volunteers keep in touch with Israel and with kibbutz. It creates 'garinim' (groups) to make aliyah to kibbutz. The non-garin level is for those considering aliyah to kibbutz in the future. Garin Yarden (Dalet) are 20-30 years old with experience on kibbutz who plan to make aliyah to kibbutz. Garins Alef, Beit and Gimmel have already made aliyah. So, if you're interested in the Movement or the Garin, call the Israel Aliyah Centre (781-4660) or Ori at 781-4722.

We are also forming "Chavurat Haemek." If you are: married or single, in good health, and have spent some time in Israel ...Chavurat Haemek may be for you! Chavurah members share the common goal of making aliyah together to kibbutz Neve Ur, with most of the group going in 1980. Kibbutz Neve Ur is a small, young kibbutz south of Tiberias on the Jordan River. The population is 80% Israeli and 20% English-speaking Olim. Call Kit at the Israel Aliyah Centre (781-4660/781-4353) or Ori (783-4722).

"Orot Yerushalayim", our group of traditional Jews, is now amalgamating with our professional chugim. We are planning an important and informative meeting in the near future. Our guest speaker will be Moshe Goldner, representative of the Bank Hapoalim. Anyone interested in business opportunities or investment possibilities will surely find this to be exciting and useful. For further information regarding this meeting, please call our office.

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When glamour designer Wayne Clark dropped in to Cafe des Copains, an intimate cabaret in downtown Toronto, he was enchanted with the performance of Taborah Johnson, a well known Canadian singer and performer.

The following evening, together with a group of friends, face designers Electa and Corrado and hairdresser Elmer Olsen, he planned a "new look" for her. When they approached Taborah with the idea, she was ecstatic. "It was like a dream come true," she said. "The packaging of entertainers is done constantly in the States but no one does it here."

The first stop was Clark's showroom. Here Tabi tried on a variety of clothes to "find her image." Wayne feels Tabi needs clothes that have "presence" without being over-powering, clothes that look contemporary but young and vibrant — like her personality. "Because she has long legs, gowns or fun pant outfits are ideal for Tabi," says Wayne. "With her long neck, deep plunges are excellent, too.

Tabi had fun trying on the different styles of clothes which she had always associated with the ultimate in glamour. "I found Wayne knew more about my body shape than I did! I'll never wear frilly clothes again."

Then on to Monroe for a session with Elmer Olsen. "Hair should always shine with a natural healthy glow on stage," Elmer stressed, "and Tabi's hair was dry and lifeless. He gave her a Mahogany Wellatone rinse and Wella Conditioner.

"To draw attention to Tabi's lovely long neck, I cut and shaped the hair into the back of her neck," explains Elmer, "and swept the sides back to highlight her cheekbones." Tabi's sleek wet look was achieved with Blow Wave Lotion. To finish, just a slight "temple touch" — Elmer's trademark — for a "hint of sexpot."

Enter Corrado. "Tabi has wonderful bones," he commented, "But her skin tones are uneven and she looks too sallow. More contrast and highlights were needed."

Corrado applied a Moisture Underbase all over Tabi's face and neck for a dewy look, then Ultimatte Golden Beige. "This base will not run or disintegrate under stage or T.V. lighting," he explained. He contoured her face with Plum, just under the cheekbones, jawbone, edge of the nose, and added Fuschia Blush for zip. Wherever her face would reflect the light — centre forehead, top of the cheekbones, under the eyes, centre nose — Corrado used Ecru.

Corrado applied Banana shadow all over the lids with Mulberry Lights in the eye contour. After lining the eyes with Ebony Kohl, he softened the edges by smudging into the shadow. An application of Gold Diamond Crush on lids up to the outer eyebrown for light reflection, and Blue Rubies Diamond Crush on inner and outer eye corners completed the eye makeup. "I wet the brush when applying all the eye makeup," says Corrado, "It sets the color and intensifies it."

For Tabi's lips, Corrado chose a vibrant shade, Choke Cherry Lipstick, followed by Bronzed Ice Liplighter.

The package worked. Tabi has a feature spot on "The Palace" an international T.V. variety show taped out of CHCH Hamilton and distributed around the world.

Taborah Johnson, a singer, shows off her "new look"

DRABS OUT BRIGHTS IN

For "right now" fashion, vibrant colors are replacing drab sombre eyeshadows. Electa & Corrado's Shimmerling Eyeshadow shades follow the trend with a move to the bright side of the color spectrum. "And since our powder eyeshadows are completely water soluble," says Electa, "they may be applied wet and/or dry to vary the color intensity."

Electa explains how to widen and enlarge your eyes the way progessional photography models do: "Use Conceal Pencil smudged along inside eye corner shadows and sides of nose to hide shadows."

The vulnerable eye area is the first to show signs of skin neglect and needs special attention. Electa suggests a true moisturizer like Underbase be applied gently to the delicate under eye tissue, being careful not to pull the skin. Instantly absorbed and deeply penetrating, Underbase nourishes several layers of skin and helps prevent dryness and wrinkling.

It is important at all times to treat the vulnerable skin gently and not drag tissues or harsh cotton over the area. There are special eye makeup remover pads available containing a mixture of oils specifically formulated to gently cleanse this "handle with care" area and "we always advise our clients who care about their skin to use them."

SOLUTION SPRUCES UP CANVAS SHOES

For sun-worshippers heading south before the height of the season, coordinating a warm-weather wardrobe can be a problem.

Stores are primarily featuring winter wear with only a smattering of cruise wear now available. The same applies to shoes.

Generally, one's 'going south' footwear should consist of evening or dress sandals, lower-heel casual styles and 'kicking around' shoes for beach wear.

The best idea is to utilize any of your present shoe collection wherever possible. Fortunately, many of today's styles can be worn year round. "Most of the Fall sandals or opened-up pumps can be worn South because there are no major seasonal shifts in styling this year," says Ruby Osten, president of The Shoe Shoppe Limited which operates 17 Rubys Shoes stores, the Shoe Shoppes in Fairweathers and Feathers in Toronto and Ottawa. "Moreover, the big Fall colors, grey, burgundy and its variations of mauve; lilac and red, are carrying through to Spring so your shoes will coordinate well with any new clothing additions.

"If you need to augment your shoe collection, pick styles that will fit into next Summer's wardrobe. You can save money on dressy or evening sandals by buying them now during the year-end sales. Be sure though, to select styles that are open enough for warm-weather wear."

For casual, in-between wear, look for styles that will be a big part of the Canadian Spring/Summer fashion scene. Good choices are mid-heel suede sandals in hot, bright colors or shoes with crepe soles or sandals mounted on a one-piece polyurethene sole/heel unit.

The canvas espadrille is also a good in-between shoe that goes well with slacks or jeans and casual dresses. If you have a pair from last summer, spruce them up with canvas stain remover and fabric cleaner. If you need a new pair, choose them in bone, navy or red with both uppers and wedges in canvas.

"For beach wear, definitely reactivate last year's sandals. Shoes take a beating on the beach so use up your sandals that suffered substantial wear and tear last Summer," adds Osten. "You'll only use them down south for about two weeks and with a good polish and new lifts they'll be more than adequate."

SHAPE UP FASHIONS

INSPIRED BY FITNESS

Shape Up Fashions Inc., an ingenious idea in ladies' wear, is tucked away in a neat, new plaza at 180 Steeles Avenue West in Thornhill.

Inspired by the ever-increasing popularity of women's fitness programs and racquet sports, the co-owners, Itti Ross and Honey Mahl, have brought together a good mix of comfortable and fashionable active clothing.

Open just under a year, Shape Up was started originally to give the active woman a place to shop without extensive travel to downtown stores.

The mainstay of Shape Up Fashions is the popular Danskin line; everything from ladies' and children's exercise, competition and swimwear to exciting glittery disco wear — to sweaters, hats and leg warmers. Durable Danskin tights are stocked in many different weights and a multitude of colors.

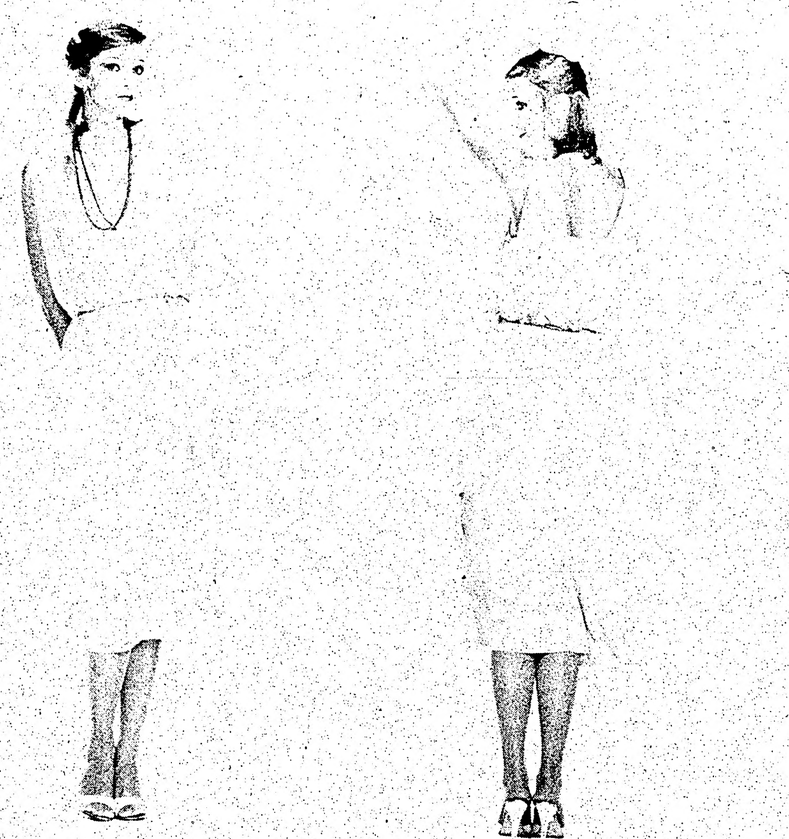
For the racquetball, squash or tennis player, there are comfortable short outfits, skirts and dresses in a wide array of colors and fabrics. There is also a good selection of jogging outfits and accessories for the runner or the racquet sport enthusiast. These outfits are also good additions to a travel wardrobe for those planning trips south this winter.

For the cross-country skier, they have a wide selection of versatile and colorful ski jackets and apres-ski wear. Most jackets are reversible or come with removable and reversible vests. Some have cozy sweaters built right in.

A good selection of fashion velours can be found in several forms; pant outfits, skirt outfits and jogging outfits. This fabric is more popular than ever because of its comfort and easy care and is another great travel accessory.

The owners' plans for the coming season include importing some exclusive lines from Florida and New York because they feel that most women like to buy clothing that is somewhat unique.

For personal service, drop by and see Honey and Itti at Shape Up or give them a call at 881-9292.


Designer Edith Strauss' dresses are leaner, slimmer. Among colors are shocking pink, sapphire blue, black.

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ELEGANT EIGHTIES ARRIVE

Ritchie introduces the "Elegant Eighties" at his annual fashion and bridal show to be presented in the Canadiana Room, The Royal York Hotel, Jan. 23. The show begins at 8:30 and the bar opens at 7:00. Champagne, coffee and refreshments are included in the admission price of $10.

As usual there is a fabulous bridal draw of prizes worth over $4,000 — the grand prize being an all expense trip for two to St. Lucia courtesy Diplomat Travel Inc., and Sunflight.

Ritchie has chosen the title "Elegant Eighties" quite deliberately as he feels there is a very definite return to a feeling of elegance that has been absent from the fashion scene for some time.

This trend shows in subtle ways ... a softening of the hardline '40s feeling of last year, a more figure conscious fit in tailored suits, a new fullness in skirts, colorings for spring are greyed pastels with flashes of primary tones. Black or black and white strike the eye as fresh and new for spring.

In evening clothes it is a glamorous elegance — the shimmer of sequins, the brilliance of beading are fashion right for spring and summer gowning ... what could be prettier than a pastel sequin jacket topping a floating chiffon gown ... colorings run the gamut of greyed pastels — perhaps one of the prettiest new shades is a spring lilac.

In his bridal collection Ritchie, certainly Canada's leading bridal couturier, has expressed the "Elegant Eighties" in a number of new and exciting ways . . .

The charm of silken Calais lace lends elegance to a lovely gown with capelet collar and a burst of ruffing at the hemline fluting to a chapel train. Another masterpiece combines french alencon lace bodice framing a portrait neckline, a full skirt of chiffon is frosted with deepo scallops of lace — a delicate old-fashioned air to capture the elegance of a bygone age.

Ritchie's exclusive imported fabrics are always a highlight of his collection and this year is no exception ... one, a deceptively simple gown of supreme elegance is of re-embroidered swiss chiffon with delicate tracery and intriguing petal slashed embroidered scalloping ... styled with slim, softly gathered skirt, sheer yoke, easy yoke, and canterbury sleeves.

For the bride with a touch of the dramatic — Ritchie has created a chiffon coat dress with satin collar and packet closing, very tailored and demure but unbutton the coat and voila! a brilliant shaft of sequins moulding and accenting the figure — not for the shrinking violet. This gown will be shown in a sparkling wedding scene — in which the attendants and other members of the wedding party will dazzle the audience, all in gowns with a touch of sequins.

This year for the first time Ritchie will be showing daytime and cocktail wear from his new ready-to-wear line known as the "R Collection" which is being sold coast to coast and is delighting fashion conscious women across Canada — He also announces that due to increasing demand the bridal gowns for which he is internationally famous will be available in specially selected bridal shops across Canada, but the brides in the Toronto area will be pleased to know he will continue his exclusive designs available only at Ritchie in Toronto.

The Elegant Eighties show is at the Royal York Hotel

Ritchie is said to be Canada's largest couturier of bridal fashions.

Pliant, beautiful hair — a dream of many

HAIR ACTS AS BAROMETER

It's that time again. Time to make New Year's resolutions. And, most often, these are centered on making oneself healthier, more attractive. Goodlooking, healthy hair is a barometer of your health and caring. If you've always longed for great looking hair, don't despair. Just resolve and work toward you goals. Glossy hair doesn't get that way by accident.

Today's active women are sports minded, exposing their hair to the natural elements ... and to the ravaging effects of sun and wind. Starting with preventive care. There are remedies to help combat the harmful effects of harsh weather and central indoor heating. The gentle cleansing action of Wella Balsam Conditioning Shampoo washes in shine and body. It actually repairs split ends and adds strength and luster to each strand. And it's safe for color-treated hair. Your hair dictates the formulation: regular, oily or dry.

A well designed cut remedies split ends and breakage. Then, don't overbrush; don't go for extended periods of time without a trim; and avoid relaxing, straightening and permanent waving without conditioning first.

On the ski slopes, wind whips through your hair robbing it of essential natural oils. The careless use of chemical treatments and hair-drying appliances are also contributors. Instead of always using a dryer, occasionally fluff dry your hair with fingers.

Dry hair is usually weak. Ordinary combing and brushing can cause strands to snap, so grooming implements must be used gently. In addition, scalp massage improves circulation and helps regulate oil flow.

Everything that makes your hair beautiful — its style, manageability, feeling of movement, even its color — depends on conditioning. Regular treatments with a natural conditioner are a must. Wella Balsam Instant Conditioner requires only a 60-second application. Or, for seriously damaged hair, nothing tops Kolestral, since it actually penetrates the porous hair shaft and strengthens from within.

A dry scalp doesn't necessarily accompany dry hair. It's usually a sign of underactive sebaceous glands. Diet is important for a healthy scalp, with foods high in vitamins 'A' and 'D' essential.

All this should add up to a prettier you, a happier you, and definitely a Happy New Year!

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Kearns dresses up this holiday creation with beads. A fine braid down the centre of the ponytail is beaded; each bead is covered with hair and held down at intervals. For a more festive look, rhinestones can be added between each bead.

Henara Henna Treatment Wax is available at drug and health food stores across Canada.

The new look in hair styling is something to behold

SPRING FASHION SHOW

On Feb. 10, the Ladies Auxiliary of Variety Club are presenting a spring Fashion Show & Brunch at the Royal York Hotel. Fashions are by The Golden Doors Boutique, 403 Lawrence Ave. West. Commentator is Norma Wildgoose.

Tickets are $25 per person and husbands are invited. For tickets please phone The Golden Doors Boutique 789-4848 or Variety Club office — 961-7300.

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Beth Tzedec offers adult ed courses

TORONTO —

Starting on Monday evening Jan. 14 for a seven-week period Beth Tzedec's widely acclaimed Beth Midrash adult education program will inaugurate its winter 1980 series of lectures and classes. Courses begins at 8:00 p.m.

Four courses will be offered on Monday evenings and they include: **Talmud for Beginners** (Rabbi J. B. Friedberg), an introduction to the tractate Sandhedrin in which the laws of testimony and those relating to the sanctity of human life will be studied; **Strengthening your Prayer Book Reading** (Cantor Joseph Cooper) is a course designed for those who wish to improve their reading knowledge of Hebrew in order to follow Sabbath and daily prayers more readily.

Rabbi Robert Binder's course **Legends of the Bible** will explore the world of the midrash and introduce students to the rabbinic method of Biblical interpretation. At 9:00 p.m. Rabbi J. B. Friedberg will offer a second course on **The Book of Exodus,** in which the motif of freedom will be examined through the eye of ancient and modern rabbinic commentators.

On Tuesday evenings beginning on Jan. 15 there will be an additional four courses offered: **Basic Judaism** (Professor Arnold Ages) addresses itself to the fundamental questions and beliefs of Judaism. Using Dennis Prager's **Eight Questions Jews Ask,** students will examine how Judaism confronts modern philosophy and the new religions of Marxism, Humanism and the cults. **The Marranos** (Professor Frank Talmage) is a course designed to explore the phenomenon of mass conversion of Jews in Spain in the medieval period. What was the scope of this dramatic move? Texts wil be analyzed in order to point out the dimensions of this troubled period in Jewish history.

Rabbi I. Witty, of the Board of Jewish Education will give a course on **The Halakha Confronts Modern Ethics,** in which major social issues of the day will be examined from the viewpoint of traditional Jewish law. Among the themes to be discussed are: euthanasia, abortion, birth control and the general permissiveness of modern life. **Reflections on Scripture** (Abraham Shkop) is a course taught in Hebrew by one of Toronto's most eminent Hebraists which focuses in on the lingusitic strata in the Biblical text in an attempt to explore the historical and sociological factors in the world view of the Hebrew Bible.

Beth Tzedec also offers two courses in conversational Hebrew which are ten weeks in duration. On Monday evenings at 8:00 p.m. Mrs. Ayala offers **Beginners Hebrew Conversation** directed at those at the near beginner's level; on Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m. Mrs. Yael Gordon gives **Intermediate Hebrew Conversation** for those at a more advanced level.

Registration for all courses in the Beth Midrash program takes place the first evening of classes. For information regarding fee call 781-3511.

Dinner honors Prossin

HALIFAX —

Former Newfoundland premier Joey Smallwood spoke out in support of Canadians' purchasing Israel Bonds at a recent dinner here in honor of Ben Y.S. Prossin, president and one of the founders of the Atlantic Jewish Council.

"All the money is spent in Canada to create jobs in Canada, which makes it a patriotic duty for Canadians to buy State of Israel Bonds," Smallwood said.

The dinner, attended by more than 200 people from the Atlantic provinces, marked the culmination of the Halifax-Dartmouth 1979 Israel Bond campaign.

Martin Herschorn and Terry Zive, co-chairmen of the Halifax-Dartmouth Bond drive, reported a 12-15% increase in 1979 sales over the previous year's purchases. Maxine Cordon and Doreen Gordon headed the women's division, sponsored by Hadassah-WIZO.

Prossin has been active in Zionist and Jewish community affairs since his youth. He has served on the local, regional and national executives of Canadian Young Judea, the Zionist Organization of Canada, Canadian Jewish Congress and the Canadian Zionist Federation.

He is a 1965 graduate of the one-year Zionist Youth Leadership Institute in Israel and served as a volunteer in Israel during the Six Day War.

Learning about Israel through sports

Maccabiah Day a success

By MURRAY MALKIN

TORONTO —

Hundreds of children filled the Jewish Community Centre's gymnasium, cheering with excitement when they participated in Maccabiah Day recently.

Maccabiah Day, sponsored by the Canadian Maccabiah Games Association, Ontario Region, and the JCC attracted more than 500 children between the ages of 10 and 15 years.

To start the day, a 26 kilometer 'Chanukah Run for Freedom,' with 200 runners participating, was held. It began at Toronto International Airport where president of the Canadian Maccabiah Games Association, Bud Weiser, greeted the runners and spoke briefly about Maccabiah.

A torch was carried the entire distance of the run to the JCC, where a menorah was lit and Maccabiah Day had its official send off.

The young athletes participated in six different fitness tests — Tel Aviv to Jerusalem broad jump, basketball shooting, obstacle course, the quarter-mile run and hanging from a bar — before they were awarded with Maccabiah Games t-shirts and badges.

Sid Greenberg, vice-chairman for Maccabiah, Ontario Region told The Canadian Jewish News that "the Canadian Maccabiah Games Association is hoping to introduce Maccabiah Days to Jewish Communities throughout the country.

"We're hoping to make Maccabiah Day an annual event, an event that will serve as an introduction of Israel and Maccabiah to young Jewish athletes."

Greenberg said perhaps one day some of the youngsters who participated in Maccabiah Day may represent Canada at a Maccabiah Games in Israel.

The next Maccabiah Games take place in July, 1981, and before that date Greenberg said it is hoped that a number of Maccabiah events can be held to get the entire Jewish community involved.

(Bellevue photo)

Maccabiah Day finds everyone in good spirits. From left: Rabbi Erwin Schild, Sandra Schafer, Bud Weiser and Bernard Kamin. Weiser is chairman of the Canadian Maccabiah Association.

(David Groskind photo)

RISING CONCERT STAR

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8:00 p.m. LEGENDS OF THE BIBLE, Rabbi Robert Binder. Insights into the Biblical text through the Midrashic approach
9:00 p.m. THE BOOK OF EXODUS, Rabbi J. Benjamin Friedberg. The uniqueness of the freedom motif as expressed in Shemot and interpreted by the rabbinic Tradition

TUESDAYS
8:00 p.m. BASIC JUDAISM, Professor Arnold Ages. The challenges facing Judaism from Marxism, Humanism and cults will form part of the analysis of what constitutes authentic Jewish belief
8:00 p.m. THE MARRANOS, Professor Frank Talmage. The nature and extent of conversion of Jews to Catholicism in medieval Spain.
8:00 p.m. THE HALAKHA CONFRONTS MODERN ETHICS, Rabbi Irwin Witty. The Halakhic method of arriving at an ethical position on issues as abortion, mercy killing and birth control
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Planning important for new towns

By NORMAN PRESSMAN

JERUSALEM —

A unique phenomenon exists in Israel with respect to the planning of new cities or "development towns" and the settlement of inhabitants.

Since 1948, some 30 new towns have grown from a combined population of 11,300 in 1948 to over 520,000 in 1976 — or roughly 19% of today's national population — a remarkable achievement in international terms.

The reason for developing these towns was to redistribute the rapidly growing immigrant and native Israeli population.

Polarization of people in the main centres of Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem was to be avoided, and a policy of dispersal was decided in order to promote national (and internal) security, to stimulate growth in underdeveloped regions within the State (Negev and Galilee, for example), to avoid building at excessive densities and to reduce urban congestion, to offer an urban backbone to the exploitation of the countryside, to relieve the pressures for developing on the precious agricultural land on the coastal plain and in the Huleh Valley of the north, and to preserve the unique recreational resource of the Mediterranean coastline.

It should be noted that many of the above reasons appear relevant to Canada (as well as other nations) in spite of our not having any policies for new town building or population distribution either on a national scale or, for that matter, provincially.

In social terms, immigrants, especially those from the Afro-Asian countries (e.g. Iraq, Syria, Iran, Morocco, Tunisia, Yemen, etc.) were to become significant elements in the towns and had to be placed in environments whereby they would feel as full members of the community, contributing to the development of the new, modern social democracy that Israel was building.

These development towns were to symbolize the new (for these immigrants) urban cadre de vie and were basically cast as the urban equivalents of the kibbutz. It was considered that this population could more easily express its needs and assert leadership — to eventually be evolved — in towns which were recognizable as identifiable urban entities.

The new towns are distributed throughout the country. Some are built on virgin territory or "greenfield" sites such as those in the Northern Galilee or in the Negev — Dimona, Arad, Mitzpe Ramon, Eilat. Others, such Ashdod, are on the coastal plain although these are in the minority. What is important is that they serve as models for urban development elsewhere in Israel and even abroad. From the many mistakes made in the early days of new town planning, for example Qiryat Gat in the northern Negev, or Ma'alot (site of the horrible terrorist attack several years ago) in the northern Galilee which were built hastily to provide housing quickly for new arrivals, urban theory has made significant strides.

Very few nations have been able to match the efforts and results of Israel regarding population dispersal, especially when one remembers its small size, scarce resources and turbulent conditions under which development occurs. Although the economic and social costs have, without a doubt, been high, in terms of the initial intent and objectives, the results are truly meritorious. Towns such as Arad, Ashdod, Eilat or Carmiel (and dozens of others), in spite of having difficulties — who doesn't experience difficulties — are modern, vigorous, budding cities with promising futures. A certain "pioneering" spirit appears to be requested for those contemplating a move to such towns, but increasingly, at least in Israel, many of these developments are coming to be equated with an improved quality of life. The target populations are placed in the 50,000 - 70,000 range. An emphasis exists on correct planning decisions and prodedures. With adequate economic bases and optimum human potential, the new towns are indeed promising environments for receiving the society which will be addressing the problems of the 21st century.

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Letter to the Editor

Endowment fund

Mr. Morris Kaufman's (co-chairman United Jewish Welfare Fund — Endowment Fund) statement that "the children should always be aware that their parents helped build the community . . . by leaving tangible gifts to the community, parents can give their children and grandchildren something they are able to live up to" was attacked with great vehemence by Mr. Boris Freesman as materialistic, arrogant and "a denial of our ideals and the concept of Jewish charity."

I would like to refer Mr. Kaufman's critic to the Code of Laws, second volume, Yorchdeah, chapter 249, paragraph 3- which says that "whoever dedicates a thing for charity is permitted to write his name on it in order to be of remembrance and it is proper to do so."

This is supported by the Rashba, the 13th century scholar, who wrote that it is a mitzvoth to publicize a mitzvoth. In fact, it is in Jewish tradition, and the Bible is replete with examples of charitable gifts being made as a memorial. Further, it is within Jewish tradition to give to a charitable institution in such a way that it (the charity) can act as one's surrogate, so that charitable gifts can continue to be made in the donor's name even after he is gone.

It would seem that Mr. Kaufman and the endowment program deserve approbation and community support for its purpose and accomplishments to date.

Its purpose is:

a) To assure the continuity of Jewish agencies and organizations in their humanitarian and communal services by providing a source of funds to be used in case of local, national or international emergencies.
b) To make possible constructive special projects in medical, welfare, educational and cultural fields.
c) To enrich the life of the Jewish and general communities by helping provide the impetus for creative experimentation and research.

To date, funds from the endowment program have been used to:

a) Provide seed money for the guidance and counselling program in the Hebrew day schools.
b) Loan funds to found the Padres Shalom Cemetery, community owned and operated.
c) Provide seed money for JIAS to secure funds for the provincial and federal governments for special projects.
d) Provide seed money to initiate the north east community services program.
e) Provide funds to build a kosher kitchen for the Jewish Camp Council, a senior citizens' camp at Parry Sound.
f) Provide a loan to renovate the school building leased by the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto.
g) Provide seed money to initiate the co-ordinated Services to the Jewish Elderly.

The financial report of the endowment fund of June 30th, 1979 reports that the fund has assets of $1,250,000 but does not report that an estimated $20,000,000 has been put into wills by community supporters in the form of bequests. That is a good record for a program that has been in existence for a few years.

It is important to note that much of this has been accomplished through the assistance and cooperation of lawyers, accountants and tax advisors who have encouraged clients to provide for charity in their wills.

So, contrary to the criticism, we find that it is a mitzvoh in Jewish tradition to encourage giving to charity to memorialize one's name and in this manner, set an example for future generations to encourage them to perform good deeds with charitable gifts.

Rather than criticize, Mr. Kaufman and the endowment committee should be commended for their efforts and foresight.

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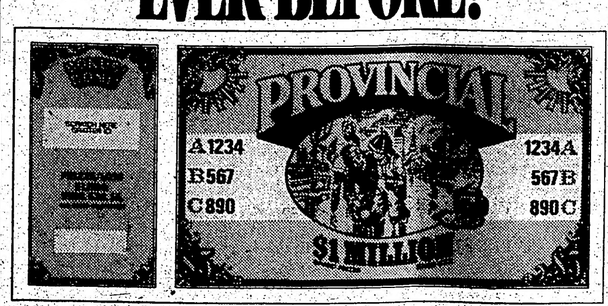

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New year's resolutions for Jewish travellers

By LARRY FROMMER

Since this column is devoted to matters of travel, I can conjure up a number of New Year's resolutions which are uniquely appropriate to travelers. For surely all of us, your writer included, can benefit from a little refurbishing in our travel habits and attitudes.

Now as Jewish travelers we can make some special resolutions. We can resolve for instance that we will stop procrastinating and take that long deferred trip to Israel as soon as possible.

And when we visit Israel we can resolve that we will not try to impress upon Israelis how much we gave to the United Jewish Appeal or invested in Israel Bonds.

If there's a bar mitzvah on the family calendar this year, we can resolve to celebrate it in Israel which will be far more meaningful than the ostentatious extravaganzas in which many Canadian Jewish families participate today.

Those of us who visit Russia should resolve that we will be more than just tourists and will communicate with our Refusenik brethren there to lessen their sense of isolation and provide them a sense of oneness with us.

Surely we can resolve that when we travel we will seek out sites of Jewish interest so that London is more than theatres, restaurants, Buckingham Palace and the British Museum and Curacao more than gambling and shopping at Spritzer and Fuhrman.

Indeed we should vow that we will not exclude a resort from our vacation repertoire because it is patronized by other minorities. For it was not too long ago that we were the minority marked for exclusion by many vacation hotels and destinations.

We can resolve not to interpret every dirty look from a desk clerk, airline hostess, luggage porter or dining room waiter as anti-Semitic.

But on the other hand we can resolve that our own decorum will always be impeccable so as not to give those of our hosts and fellow tourists who are narrow and intolerant about such things additional rationale for bigotry.

So much for those resolutions indigenous to the Jewish tourist. There are other of course which have relevance to us simply as travelers.

Let us resolve to be more patient when service is slower than we would like, because if we are on vacation, pray, what is the hurry anyway.

Let us resolve that when we travel abroad we will be good ambassadors of our country, which may be judged, for better or for worse, by our actions.

Let us resolve when traveling to another country to keep an open mind and to respect the customs, mores and lifestyles of that country as we would expect foreign travelers to respect ours.

Let us resolve to understand that friendliness is a two way street. If we expect it in our travels we must offer it in kind. For surely in most instances friendliness will beget itself and aloofness will be repaid in like measure.

Let us resolve that we will not expect everyone whom we meet in our travels to speak our language for this is an extravagant demand and a brazen temerity.

Let us resolve that when we are holding duplicate reservations on airlines, steamships and in hotels that we make certain to cancel the ones we do not plan to use in order that we do not deprive others of a chance to travel.

Let us resolve that when we hear reports of unrest in a country to which we plan to travel that we do not immediately panic. For it is so often the case that the headlines often exagerate both the problem and the danger.

Let us resolve not to let ego be the prime motivator of our travels for if we are traveling solely to keep up with family, friends or business associates, will not the competition of it all obscure the pleasure.

Let us resolve not to travel by price alone. For if we do we often pay threefold in disappointment.

Let us resolve to really try to meet and communicate with the "people" of the various destinations we visit and to break away occasionally from the hotel swimming pool, the corner boutique and the tourist oriented restaurant, for we can have all of these things at home.

Let us resolve not to become so preoccupied with the dust on the mirror, the bathroom plumbing, the lethargy of the waiter or the price postings on hotel doors that we have no capacity for the delight of travel.

Let us resolve to travel with joy in our hearts rather than chips on our shoulders for travel should be a gay and carefree experience and all too often we miss the fullness of it because we become so uptight about its occasional inconveniences.

Picking, packing, processing and preserving the Jaffa orange

By SANDY SCHPILKE

JERUSALEM —

The Jaffa orange is one of the most important elements in Israeli life. Citrus provides Israeli workers with eight million work days a year in cultivating, picking, packing and processing the fruit into juices and preserves. It is an important factor in transport, the merchant marine and the packing materials industry. Apart from the large sums of foreign currency that citrus earns for Israel, the amount of work that goes into growing, manufacturing, transporting, packaging, and loading, before the Jaffas get to your plate, is legion. One must also take into account citrus by-products such as marmalades, squashes, juices and tinned segments that are sold in Britain, all over Europe, and now also in America.

Citrus first reached the land of Israel in the third century BCE. Originally it came from China and South-East Asia. Citron, lemon and sour orange trees were already growing in Israel during the period of the Second Temple. From the Eastern Mediterranean, citrus spread to all the Middle East countries and also to Spain. The Spaniards took it to America. It is said that when Richard Coeur de Lion came to the Holy Land in the twelfth century, his troops ate oranges from the groves near Jaffa. The few orange groves in Palestine at the times of the Turks were also concentrated around Jaffa. The first modern groves owned by Jews in Palestine were planted in 1866 by Sir Moses Montefiore.

When Jewish settlement expanded after World War I, so did citrus. In 1926 there were around 9,000 acres of citrus groves in the country, of which about 2,500 acres belonged to Jews. Within 10 years Jews planted some 35,000 acres and by 1939 the country had 75,000 acres of all kinds of citrus with the introduction of modern methods of ploughing, irrigating and fertilizing.

The Second World War and the War of Independence caused damage to the citrus industry and many groves were abandoned. In 1949 only 32,500 acres were left, in a neglected state. However, there now came a period of great achievement. Thousands of acres were planted each year, mechanized packing-houses were built, modern methods of fruit protection and handling by up-to-date equipment were introduced.

Exports expanded until today Israeli citrus is sold in Europe, Britain, the Far East and Japan. Israel now has what may be termed a citrus Empire whose sun never sets. Her fruit is extensively sold in many countries from Finland to Hong Kong. Processed Israeli citrus is also in demand. To support her citrus Empire, Israel has carried out vast research into methods of preserving, transporting and storing citrus. A typical invention from the Volcani Agricultural Research Institute is a polethylene coating that can keep citrus for as long as eight months without refrigeration.

The ministry of agriculture is planting orchards of ten thousand trees from specially selected stock to produce new and better strains. In laboratories, hybrids are produced from tissue cultures to make new, interesting types of fruit such as the easy-peel strain, the Tembel, native to Israel.

The Jewish State is today the second largest citrus exporter in the world, exporting 1 million tons of citrus, after Spain with 1½ million tons. (The largest grower is Sunkist of America.)

Israeli has 100,000 acres of citrus plantation. Year by year, the country exports 50 million cartons of citrus weighing 20 kilos each. 21 million of these are Jaffas, 10 million Valencias, 15 million grapefruit, 1½ million lemons and 1¼ million navels. There are also one million cartons of easy-peel strains, clementines, and mandarins. The Israeli orange has indeed gone a long way in three decades.

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Stories and biography portray Singer's artistry

book review

By BERNARD BASKIN

Old Love by Isaac Bashevis Singer — The Magician of West 86th Street. McGraw-Hill Ryerson Ltd., Toronto $12 A biography by Paul Kresh. Dial Press $19.50

Fourteen of the 18 stories **Old Love** have appeared in the New Yorker magazine in recent years. They explore the familiar landscape of Singer's world — old Warsaw where he grew up, Israel which he has often visited and Upper Manhattan where he chooses to live.

One memorable story entitled **A Cage for Satan** involves a rabbi who is obsessed with the notion of capturing Satan. He constructs a cage to imprison the Evil One, and on a dark night wrestles with the long-awaited antagonist. The next day he learns to his horror that the figure he had throttled was a young burglar. Filled with remorse he deems himself unworthy of even being buried in a Jewish cemetery. The elders of the town disagree. The rabbi's intentions were honourable but it was fatuous to think that Satan could be caged. Satan is as immortal as the universe itself.

Satan is uncaged and, in one form or another, plays a dominant role in these stories of lust, violence, aberrant sex and the demonic side of human nature. As Singer grows older his material seems to grow more extreme, bizarre and sensational.

In the story **Two**, a pair of homosexual Hasidim in turn of the century Poland come to a terrible end. Zissel, in order to earn a livelihood disguises himself as a girl and obtains work as an attendant in a Mikvah, or Ritual Bath House. Smitten by a young girl he is goaded into an act of madness that leads to the drowning of both the girl and himself. His male lover is murdered by a gang of outraged members of the community.

Despite repugnance at the violence and lubricity of this unlikely tale, the sheer magic of a master story teller holds the reader in thrall.

A number of the stories, quieter in tone and richer in meaning, such as **Tanhum**, and **The Boy Who Knows the Truth**, show Singer at his best as he depicts personalities in the grip of temptation or perplexity who have the strength to choose the path of renunciation and unworldliness.

This eighth volume of Singer's short stories indicates that he is an uneven writer. He is often repetitious, willing to turn anecdotes into full-fledged stories and determined to shock his readers. Much of his material is a parody of Judaism. The Nobel Prize winner continues to exploit the dark, obscure and occult byways of Judaism.

Paul Kresh's book is the first full scope biography of Singer. It is a readable, introduction to his life and work. Far from a critical biography, it carefully surveys all of Singer's books and stories and depicts the busy, impish author as he appears to his acquaintances, colleagues and admirers.

The lovable old man who included a paragraph in Yiddish in his Nobel Prize address still contributes regularly to the Jewish Daily Forward, feeds pigeons on Manhattan's west side and doesn't take himself too seriously. Fame came to him so late that it has not gone his head. He says: "I am always happy to sign an autograph, because I can remember when nobody asked me to sign one."

Too many old favorites and just not enough new material

music

By RICK KARDONNE

Original vocal harmonic arrangements were the strong point of the 1979 Israel Chassidic song Festival which made its Toronto appearance Dec. 3 at Beth Emeth Bais Yehudah. However, I would have liked to have seen much more original material from the new songs entered this year. As it stood, while the first and second prizewinners were performed in the early part of the concert; the overwhelming majority of songs were old favorites and winners from past years. But the original purpose of the Chassidic songfest is to present the constantly alive spirit of Jewish soul creativity. We must always keep this precious flame afresh.

The flame of contemporary creativity was fresh and well with the top two 1979 prizewinners: **Talith,** a moderately-paced prayer featuring excellent four-part choral minor-key arrangements; and the faster, optimistic **Seek for God a New Song.** Four-part harmonies were also prominently displayed with the choral rendition of the 1976 **Avinu** (originally sung by Ophira Gluska) and a medley of Shlomo Carlebach favorites. There was also the 1976 winner, **Adon Olam** as well as the 1978 winners. Yet perhaps the most memorably performed selection of the evening was the four-girl harmonic renditions of the beloved Yiddish classic **Raisins and Almonds.**

Of the eight performers, the only one who has been given star billing elsewhere was emcee Chanan Goldblatt, whose easy humor (best exhibited during a comedy mock-rock number entitled **Reb Shmul,** parodying **Big John**) and likable but not obstrusive lead voice set a tone of leadership but not one of real stardom. The choreography was professionally tight yet authentically freilach. So was the main effort of the music which preserved the authentic Chassidic spirit as it thrives today within Israel.

SHIMON DZIGAN: "The Arabs have oil and money. We have milk and honey. And what value has milk when it hangs between the legs of an animal?"

Such a joke exemplifies the dry wit of Shimon Dzigan: not only one of the greatest Yiddish comedian-monologuist alive but also one of the finest comic-satirists of all time, who entertained and enlightened a Beth Emeth-Bais Yehuda audience as the star of the **Let There Be Joy** revue on Nov. 27.

Other samples from Dzigan's treasure-chest of wit: "I went to Moscow and had two x-rays; one from the waist-up and one from the waist-down. In the first x-ray, they wanted to see if I had Zionism in my heart. In the second x-ray, they wanted to see if I had Brezhnev up my derriere." Or: "Zsa Zsa Gabor married five times and died of unsatisfaction. She should have married Ayatollah Khomeini (who has four wives)." Then he described the time when the Israeli tourist in New York entered a reform shul and heard, during the Rosh Hashanah service, the shofar substituted for a saxophone.

But there was another side of Dzigan exposed that evening; a side opposite his acerbic satire on politics, modern art and morays. It was a tender, humanistic-pathos humor; best expressed by his monologue of the grandfather who is so proud of his three sons, all of whom became doctors; all of who never see him, who asks: "Is there a cure for loneliness"?

Dzigan's brand of humor is far superior, far sophisticated and even far earthier than the infantile, non-social-commentary humor prevalent today. He is a true genius who epitomizes the contemporary Jewish soul; and his style should be emulated by everybody. His wit must go far beyond the Yiddish-speaking audience without ever betraying ther eternal Yiddishkeit spirit.

Also in the show was the singer-producer Ben Bonus, whose solo highlight was a powerful Babi Yar lament; the attractive Shoshana Ron whose **Please Don't Forget Me** was correctly emotionally intense and thus deeply moving; and Mira Bern's delightful mock-haughty monologue **At the Mirror.**

Macias inspires crowd

By DAVID MARIGOLD

OTTAWA —

Few performers can inspire a largely French-canadian and Lebanese audience to sing Israeli songs in unison! But 41-year-old Enrico Macias is just such a singer.

The Algerian-born French performer has been one of the most popular recording and concert stars in Europe, Israel, and Japan for over ten years. After a recent appearance in Egypt, he came to reconquer Canada (he has long been a favourite in French Canada) with a recent two-week concert tour of Quebec, Ottawa, and Toronto.

From the second he walked on stage to the moment he left, two-and-a half hours later despite the crowd's entreaties, Macias held the audience in the palm of his hand. And what a pre-sold audience! The usually reticent National Arts Centre crowd knew almost every one of his songs, judging from the initial applause of recognition and the usually frenzied applause of appreciation after a song. Like a Las Vegas-style showman, he knew what to expect of the crowd and how to satisfy their every whim with tricks like allowing the audience to sing along with the chorus of all but his most intimate songs. This is usually a risky business for an entertainer to attempt but Macias's audience seemed only too eager to oblige.

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COLD STORAGE is directed by REVA TWARD, the Artistic Director of the LEAH POSLUNS THEATRE, who has directed such outstanding productions as William Gibson's GOLDA and Dale Wasserman's ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST. NEHEMIAH PERSOFF, well-known Hollywood actor, stars as the Armenian fruit seller, JOSEPH PARMIGIAN. Mr. Persoff's extensive list of stage, TV and movie credits include "Galileo", with Charles Laughton, "The Harder They Fall", with Humphrey Bogart and last season Mr. Persoff appeared at the LEAH POSLUNS THEATRE in his one man show, SHOLEM ALEICHEM which won him the 1971 Drama Critics Award. Starring opposite Mr. Persoff, as RICHARD LANDAU, a fine art and antique dealer, is RICHARD DAVIDSON, a sparkling Canadian actor who just received tremendous acclaim in the New York Times for his feature role in "THEY ARE DYING OUT" with the YALE REPERTORY THEATRE. Broadway is his next stop after his appearance here.

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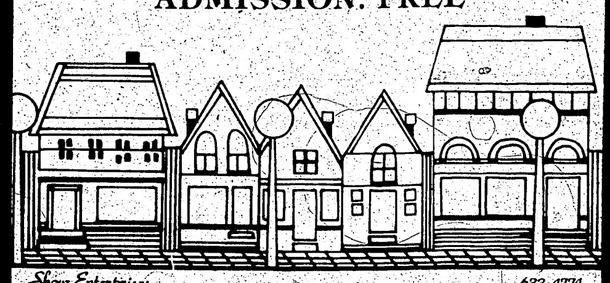

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$235,000. "Pretty as a picture". Charming 4/5 bdrm. family home! Large living rm., French doors to pool/patio. Sep. dining — main den, fireplace — sep. main floor master wing! 3 baths. Diane Allen 449-2020.

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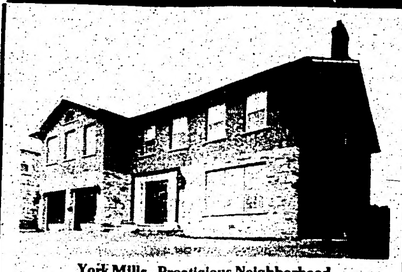

York Mills - Prestigious Neighborhood
$369,000. This "UCCI RESALE" situated on a private ravine, 5-6 bedrooms, library plus main floor family room, 6 baths, unbelievable master suite, finished lower level walkout. Elise Kalles 441-2888.

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Ravine Lot — Walk To Shul — $179,500
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Harbour Square — 1 & 2 Bedrooms Rent Or Buy
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OBITUARIES

Allen, Sophie, on Dec. 20, 1979, late of 330 Spadina Rd.
Bochner, Charlotte, on Dec. 16, 1979, late of 131 Bloor St. W.
Frankel, Faye, Dec. 16, 1979, late of 18 Cedarcroft Blvd.
Green, Percy, on Dec. 19, 1979, late of 10 Dombey Rd.
Jackson, Julius, on Dec. 17, 1979, late of 65 Devondale Ave.
Kartash, Samuel, on Dec. 16, 1979, late of 707 Finch Ave. W.
Merson, Sidney, on Dec. 16, 1979, late of 39 Burncrest Dr.
Miller, Abraham, on Dec. 19, 1979, late of 36 Menin Rd.
Pulver, Martin, on Dec. 20, 1979, late of 10 Syker St., Meaford, Ont.
Rotstein, Marjorie, Dec. 17, 1979, late of 400 Walmer Rd.
Solomon, Phylls, on Dec. 22, 1979, late of 650 Briar Hill.
Wayne, Gertrude, on Dec. 19, 1979, late of Woodner Apts., 16th St., Washington.

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BENJAMIN'S PARK MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Factors in family create community changes

TORONTO — We have just come through the "sober 70s" said Marvyn Novick, senior program director for the Social Planning Council of Metro Toronto, in a review of the role of social service agencies and changing lifestyles in the decade just passed.

Novick addressed a "community sounding" organized by the planning committee of Toronto Jewish Congress and attended by agency directors and TJC officers and executive members. At the meeting, which was presided over by SPC chairman, Martin Mendelow, Novick cited three factors which influenced and helped to bring about "profound" changes during the 70s — family life transition; fertility decline; and the role of women.

"These changes go beyond the technological and the physical in our basic social structures," he said. "One in seven families headed by single parents and of these 85% are women-led."

The significant implications of this, according to Novick, is the emergence of a new group of poor with a telling impact on children. Child poverty, he said, is a reality.

Novick sees the pattern continuing into the 80s, with a declining economy leading to more restraints and cutbacks and high youth unemployment.

"Metro Toronto is losing young people to the West, and the loss in earning capacity plus a diminishing population base, will result in a high cost to community services," he continued.

"We have to face the fact that restraint is real and permanent," he remarked. "The only debate is what kind of restraint — responsible or irresponsible — below the growth of real wealth (GNP) and inflation. Social spending of five per cent in that context, is irresponsible.

The problem to be worked out in the Jewish community, he said, was how to preserve a sense of solidarity in the face of diverse living patterns and geographic dispersion. He suggested that we may have to extend relationships outside the Jewish community, adding that there was no one established social and cultural group but a community of minorities and that it was important to reach out to them.

Of equal concern was the status of the over-60s population, which he referred to as "a new stage of adulthood," and adding that he loathed the term "senior citizen."

"We will be dealing with a wide variety of educational and professional backgrounds, and should be looking into ways of opening up new careers and providing these people with a more productive role in the community," he said.

During the 80's, Novick said the forms of agency structures will have to be seriously reviewed and new sources of leadership developed. He favors smaller centres of support rather than highly centralized agencies.

"The era of adding on and growing bigger will be more in question," he concluded. "We (the Jewish community) have historically met the challenges and made critical choices in the past and we shall continue to do so in the 80s."

Tougher anti-boycott measures urged

By DANIEL ACKS

TORONTO — The federal government's anti-boycott "disclosure legislation" still permits discrimination within Canada, Larry Grossman, Ontario Minister of Industry and Tourism, and guest speaker at the Jewish Community Center's annual Book Fair, told an audience recently.

Equating anti-boycott legislation with the Human Rights issue, Grossman expressed hope that the federal government will follow the U.S. example and pass strong legislation that "prevents countries from forcing discrimination upon Canadian citizens. I think anti-boycott legislation is the right thing for the federal government to do."

Currently, it is illegal in Ontario for a company to comply with an economic boycott imposed by another country for commercial or political gain. The federal government, according to its disclosure legislation, publishes the names of those companies that comply with such a boycott, however it is still within the law for the latter companies to do so.

Although Ontario's anti-boycott legislation "happened to have focused attention on the Arab states", Grossman pointed out that the law applies universally and is not specifically anti-Arab.

"We are maintaining our neutrality by arming our citizens with the knowledge that it is against the law in our province to comply with any form of boycott that is used as an economic tool against another country."

Noting that trade to the Middle East has increased, Grossman emphasized that no business has been lost because of the legislation. "When Arab countries want to do business with you, they will. When they fail to deal with us they blame it on the anti-boycott legislation."

Grossman distinguishes between "prohibiting discrimination" in Canada and the Federal government's commitment to moving the embassy to Jerusalem, and its subsequent reneging on that commitment.

Stating that "Jewish community leaders sought the embassy move," he suggested that these leaders "regretted the push for it afterwards," and were further "shocked by the number of Canadians who said it ought not to be done."

He told the audience that the latter conflict "caused a lot of Jewish Canadians to reassess their role in Canadian life", adding that "it is useful to realize that a great number would rather not have this confrontation in Canada. It is not a matter of being anti-Israeli, but it is important to realize where all the pieces fit together."

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NBC correspondent talks about fun on the road with Henry . . .

Kissinger's wit lightens labors of shuttle diplomacy

Henry Kissinger and his Israeli counterpart, Abba Eban, acknowledge crowd

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO —

Romping through his speech with a fast wit and the easy familiarity of the insider, NBC diplomatic correspondent, Richard Valeriani, told a Book Fair audience at the Jewish Community Centre recently about his fun on the road with former American secretary of state, Henry Kissinger.

Valeriani was sponsored by the Secular Jewish Association and the Toronto Region of B'nai B'rith.

"I was one of 14 reporters who travelled three years, three months, 28 days and four hours with Kissinger," recounted Valeriani, who recently collected all his experiences into a book called **Travels with Henry.**

Describing his book, Valeriani — who won TV awards for his coverage of the civil rights movement and the Dominican civil war — said "it was not a substantive work, but rather what I hope is a funny book about a witty, brilliant man with whom I often worked 18-20 hours a day."

Valeriani, whose TV assignments also included the Watergate scandal, the Bay of Pigs invasion and many presidential campaigns, spoke fondly and light-heartedly of Kissinger, whom he regarded as a combination of genius, raconteur and little boy.

Kissinger, he said, had an irrepressible wit and deprecating sense of humor which he often used as tools to get through difficult diplomatic impasses or to detract reporters from questions he didn't want to answer.

One of the most high-powered diplomats of his time, Kissinger was a short, rotund man who liked nothing better than to wear sloppy loose sweaters, baggy pants and pad up and down the airplane in stocking feet, Valeriani revealed.

Kissinger always liked to get his message across to reporters, stated Valeriani. He held excellent formal briefings in his office, and constantly briefed reporters en route.

"We always had access to him," said Valeriani, "and when he wasn't filling us in with details, he loved to tell stories and indulge in good-natured needling."

"It was an intellectual locker-room atmosphere which both sides enjoyed," said the dark, good-looking Valeriani. "But there was always a professional respect for both his position and his talents. No one ever called him Henry."

Kissinger, who taught at Harvard from 1957 to 1969 and served as a consultant to government agencies and private foundations, was chosen by then President Richard Nixon in 1969 to be the assistant for national security affairs. In 1973 Nixon asked him to assume the responsibilities of secretary of state.

Kissinger always felt loyal and indebted to Nixon, Valeriani revealed. "Look," Kissinger always used to say, "Nixon appointed me to two of the most important positions in the country — even after I had publicly stated that he was not fit to govern."

Valeriani stated that he thought one of Kissinger's greatest diplomatic achievements was the improvement of Israeli-Arab relationships while at the same time allowing Israel to become stronger militarily than ever before.

Right after the 1973 Yom Kippur War, Kissinger was much maligned in Israel because of his pressure on Israel to disengage its troops. But now he is respected, Valeriani noted.

He added that anybody who had to persuade Israel to withdraw from occupied territory could not be popular. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and President Jimmy Carter are now in the same unpopular position that Kissinger was, he remarked.

Kissinger always wanted to get Israel to look to the years ahead where Israelis would have to live in peace with Arabs. He wanted to lift the Israelis out of the historical trauma of their European experiences and into the context of the Middle East, Valeriani stressed.

Valeriani, who accompanied Kissinger 75 times to Israel, said that the former secretary of state never lost his sense of humor or perspective. But one man described as totally immune to the famous Kissinger charm was Saudi Arabian King Fiesal.

Warned beforehand of Fiesal's "anti-Zionism," Kissinger had been told beforehand that Fiesal sits through interviews listening very somberly and picking the lint of his cotton robes. When asked later how the interview went, Kissinger replied: "I think we got along very well. By the time we were finished talking, he was picking the lint off my clothes."

The man who initiated the 1969 SALT talks with the Soviet Union, and who arranged Nixon's visit to China and supported American disengagement from Vietnam was also considered a very demanding boss.

A story that went the rounds told of a new Kissinger speech writer who brought the first draft of a speech to Kissinger to read. The next day Kissinger looked the writer straight in the eye and asked: "Is this the very best that you can do?" Feeling insecure, the writer took the speech back for rewriting. For the next few days, Kissinger would ask the same question. Totally exasperated, the writer who didn't care anymore said rather angrily: "Yes, that is absolutely the best I can do."

To which Kissinger replied lightly: "Good, I'm glad to hear it. Now, I'll read it."

More than anyhone else, Valeriani saw Kissinger au naturel, at his best and worst. During a particularly rigorous schedule, which took Kissinger through 13 countries in 15 days (he also once visited 17 countries in 18 days), Kissinger was reported to have turned to an aid and asked: "Vot country is dis?"

Whether the story is true or not, Valeriani said Kissinger had the sweet talent of always seeing the funny side of things. It was that gift, he said, which helped make him one of the sharpest negotiators in world politics.

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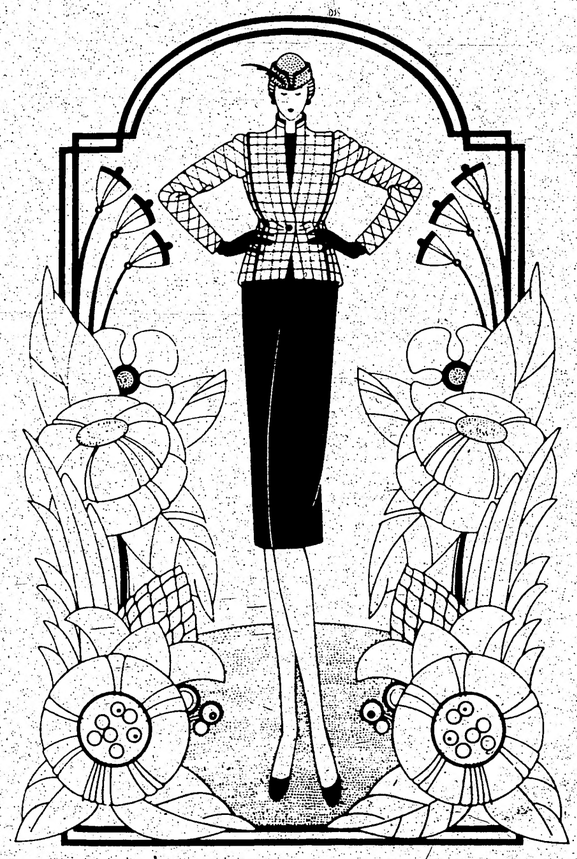

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